THE PUBLIC HEALTH NUTRITION (PHN) CONCENTRATION is a multidisciplinary program that integrates nutrition into the core of public health practice. The program provides a systems approach to overall health and nutrition incorporating biology, food policy, epidemiology, behavioral change, advocacy, health disparities and environmental health. Our mission is to train public health professionals to work within public and private agencies, both domestically and globally. Graduates will demonstrate critical thinking skills and employ scientific knowledge to achieve expanded roles in public health practice settings. The PHN concentration prepares students to address health and nutrition problems through a combination of research, policy, and practice. Upon graduation, students will be able to:

- Identify and assess diet and nutritional status related health problems, of both undernutrition and over-nutrition, among diverse population groups in the United States and globally.
- Describe the social, cultural, economic, environmental, and institutional factors that contribute to the risk of undernutrition and over-nutrition among populations.
- Evaluate educational, community, institutional, and other population-based intervention strategies to improve nutritional health status, decrease food security and reduce obesity.
- Analyze and assess policies aimed at increasing access and reducing barriers to food insecurity and improved national health status in diverse population groups.
- Apply evidence-based research findings to the development and implementation of nutrition policies, programs, and interventions in the United States and globally.

The 46-credit PHN curriculum offers an innovative and multidisciplinary approach through which students embark on a rigorous course of study that includes core public health and concentration courses, general electives, an internship, and a seminar in public health.

- **Core courses** promote knowledge of and training in core public health concepts ranging from biostatistics, epidemiology, environmental health, health policy and management, public health biology and social and behavioral health. Biostatistics concentration required courses covers topics including, but not limited to: probability, data utilization, regression and multivariable modeling and time series analysis.

- **Concentration courses** cover concentration-specific core courses such as Assessing Community Health Needs, Nutritional Epidemiology for Public Health, and Public Health Nutrition.

- **Elective courses** allow for more in-depth study, covering areas as diverse as Food Policy in Public Health; Maternal and Child Nutrition, Global Issues in Nutrition: study abroad (Florence 2017), A Systems Approach to Food Access, Nutrition Education and Promotion Initiatives in Public Health and other methodology electives.
Professional Development

- **Applied Practice–Experience** is the culminating experience of the program in which students apply their knowledge and skills in a real-world setting through a public health internship for a minimum of 180 hours. GPH offers exceptional internship opportunities with public and private organizations in the United States and in more than 20 countries around the globe.

- **Combined MPH-RD Option**: Students who enter the MPH program may elect to pursue the MPH/RD option.

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Admission

Applicants must hold a bachelor’s degree or higher from a regionally accredited college or university. International candidates must hold the equivalent of a U.S. bachelor’s degree. The program does not require previous work and/or research experience to apply. Program scholarships are available and other forms of financial aid can help you finance your studies. **All applications and materials are due by February 1st.** To apply directly, visit: [sophas.org](http://sophas.org).

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We encourage prospective students to explore our website and visit the campus to meet students and faculty, and even sit in on a class. GPH is committed to helping you discover the right academic path for you in the field of global public health.

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The complex and changing exposure to nutrition throughout the life cycle is a **critical determinant of health** and a key field of study for those committing themselves to public health—both internationally and nationally.

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