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# Master's in Public Health

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- Master of Medical Science with a major in Public Health
- 2 years, full-time, 120 ECTS credits
- Faculty of Medicine
- Malmö Campus
- Application deadline: January 2024
- Programme start: August 2024

## PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The Master's programme in Public Health at Lund University is one of Sweden's most applied for Master's programmes. The programme offers a global classroom environment which is enriched through a synergy of diverse and multi-disciplinary students and staff.

A person's right to the highest attainable standard of health has no geographical or social bounds. However, poverty and lack of democratic governance impede many people's access to this right. In order to abolish health inequalities and achieve sustainable improvements in health and wellbeing, global partnerships and the effective spread of knowledge are essential. We must therefore educate future public health experts who have a broad, interdisciplinary perspective and the will to participate in this global effort.

The programme's focus is thus cross-disciplinary with a consistent global perspective. The programme provides students with evidence-based knowledge and the skills and tools necessary for conducting research, policy-making and promoting health. The teaching and learning approaches used in the programme are dynamic and continuously adapted to an optimized learning environment. As one student expressed it: "The class and teaching are a microcosm of the global context we'll face in work life."

Course leaders and guest lecturers have substantial experience in a range of disciplinary and geographical contexts and originate from countries such as Sweden, Ghana, Iran, Uganda,

China and the UK. The diversity and experience of fellow students also contribute to the stimulating learning environment.

## PROGRAMME MODULES/COURSES

The programme offers gradual specialisation in three principal areas:

- Health and Society: Global Public Health, Health Economics, Health Policy, Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights, Public Health Nutrition
- Theory of Science and Methods of Public Health Science: Epidemiology, Biostatistics, Qualitative Research Methods, Applied Research Methods, Independent Project, Cost-effectiveness and Impact Evaluation of Health Interventions
- Professional Development: Leadership and Professional Perspectives on Public Health, Health Promotion, elective course/internship.

A work placement (internship) is provided in the form of an elective course. Further elective courses may be included in the programme.

**Semester 1:** Global Public Health 1 (7.5 credits), Global Public Health 2 (7.5 credits), Epidemiology (7.5 credits), Biostatistics (7.5 credits).

**Semester 2:** Qualitative Research Methods (7.5 credits), Health Policy (7.5 credits), Health Economics (7.5 credits), Health Promotion (7.5 credits).

**Semester 3:** Elective course 1 or Internship (7.5 credits), Elective course 2 or Internship (7.5 credits), Leadership and Professional Perspectives on Public Health (7.5 credits), Applied Research Methods (7.5 credits).

**Semester 4:** Master's Thesis in Public Health (30 credits).



**“The programme is pragmatically delivered to offer global relevance and it would not be difficult for anyone to establish their niche within the diverse public health ecosystem. Ultimately, I managed to experience the empowerment in consumption of almost any piece of information with an outlook towards public health relevance and further had a deep appreciation of the programme's leverage towards research. Basically, I think it was one of my lifetime's best decisions.”**

Boniface Gachara Ndegwa from Kenya



### CAREER PROSPECTS

Alumni of the Master's programme in Public Health are currently employed at a variety of top governing institutions such as national ministries of health, UNICEF, Global Fund, the WHO and various NGOs. In addition, the programme provides preparation for PhD studies and an academic career. On the programme webpage, you can follow alumni stories to get an idea of possible career opportunities after graduation.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND HOW TO APPLY

#### Entry requirements

A Bachelor's degree of 180 ECTS credits or equivalent. English Level 6.

#### How to apply

##### 1. Apply online:

Go to [www.lunduniversity.lu.se/public-health](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/public-health). Click on "Apply" and follow the instructions for the online application at [www.universityadmissions.se](http://www.universityadmissions.se), the Swedish national application website. Rank the chosen programmes in order of preference.

##### 2. Submit your supporting documents:

- **General supporting documents:** Check what documents you need to submit (i.e. official transcripts, degree diploma/proof of expected graduation, translations, proof of English, passport) and how you need to submit them at [www.universityadmissions.se](http://www.universityadmissions.se).

- **Programme-specific supporting documents:** In addition to the documents mentioned in Step 2, you must also submit a CV and write a statement of purpose. Make sure you read the checklist for the supporting documents that are required to make a successful application.

##### 3. Pay the application fee (when applicable)

#### Selection criteria/additional info

The selection will be based on a total assessment of the students' previous academic qualifications, prior work experience in the public health field and a statement of purpose.

#### Tuition fees

Tuition fee SEK 205 000 per year for non-EU/EEA citizens. See [www.lunduniversity.lu.se](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se) for details on tuition fees.

### ABOUT THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE

The Faculty of Medicine is one of nine faculties at Lund University and offers a wealth of research, postgraduate and educational programmes in medicine, public health, biomedicine and health sciences, to name a few.

The Faculty encompasses 2 900 full-time undergraduate students enrolled in 8 degree programmes and stand-alone courses, as well as 1 000 postgraduate students and 2 000 employees. Research spans across a broad area from basic experimental research to applied research, in order to answer questions related to clinical practice, the health sciences and society.

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