The Department of Health Systems and Population Health (HSPop) prepares future health practitioners, managers, and researchers to conduct the unfinished work of improving the well-being of communities in the United States and throughout the world. We envision a future where systems effectively, efficiently, and equitably promote the health of all populations. We are committed to working with partners in public health and health care to prepare leaders, design solutions, and conduct innovative research that is translated into practice and policy.

9 Academic Degree Programs

**BS:** Health Informatics & Health Information Management
**MHA:** In-Residence; Executive
**MHIHIM:** Health Informatics & Health Information Management
**MPH:** Community-Oriented Public Health Practice (COPHP); Online Executive; In-Residence (Concentrations in Health Systems & Policy, Social & Behavioral Sciences)
**MS:** In-Residence (Concentration in Clinical and Translational Research)
**PhD:** Health Services (Concentrations in Evaluative Sciences & Statistics, Health Behavior & Social Determinants of Health, Health Economics, Health Systems Research, Occupational Health)

5 Certificate Programs

508 Students (2021–22)

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414 Graduate students
94 Undergraduate students
73% Women
26% Underrepresented minorities
8% International

5,100+ Alumni

We train students for influential careers in health systems management, education, program design and evaluation, health promotion, public health practice, research, advocacy and policy analysis.

98% Job Placement

Percentage of job-seeking HSPop graduates employed in public health or related fields, based on a 2017 survey of 695 alumni.

405 Faculty

Regular 47
Adjunct 89
Clinical and Affiliate 229
Emeritus 33
Research 7

5 Research & Practice Centers/Programs

Our faculty and students collaborate with community partners through the Center for Health Innovation & Policy Science (CHIPS), the Health Promotion Research Center (HPRC), the Northwest Center for Public Health Practice (NWCPHP), the Seattle-Denver VA Center for Innovation, and the Center for Anti-Racism and Community Health (ARCH).

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Located in the UW School of Public Health, which in 2022 ranked #4 among publicly funded schools of public health, and #9 among all public health graduate schools in the U.S.
- U.S. News & World Report

197 Degrees Awarded (2021)
- PhD: 3
- Master's: 144
- Bachelor's: 50

$22.4 Million
- Fiscal Year 2021 Operating Budget
- Grants & Contracts 49%
- State & Fee-Based Tuition 49%
- Gifts/Endowments/Other 2%

Proven Impact
- Advancing public health legislation
- Improving nutrition in public schools
- Assessing cancer risk and treatments
- Evaluating health insurance reform

Public as a Philosophy
- Leading, along with other academic units, the UW's Population Health Initiative
- Providing training, research, and evaluation for state, local, and tribal public health agencies in six Northwest states
- Partnering with organizations including Kaiser Permanente Washington Health Research Institute, Fred Hutch, Seattle Children's, and local health departments to improve health and well-being

Innovation Mindset
- Analyzing big data to improve health care and reduce health disparities
- Developing interventions to limit unhealthy drinking among at-risk teens
- Creating new communication tools to reach individuals at risk for colon cancer
- Improving programs for healthy aging

Leading-Edge Student Experience
- Solving real-world problems as part of capstone and practicum projects
- Helping communities reduce health disparities by addressing social determinants of health
- Providing analysis and research to support local and national health organizations

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