

## **Public Health – Psychosocial Prevention and Health Promotion, Master of Public Health (MPH)**

### **Characteristics**

*Public Health – Psychosocial Prevention and Health Promotion* program follows a consecutive course curriculum.

Core courses are:

- » Basic principles in Public Health (MPH-1),
- » Health Promotion and Prevention (MPH-2),
- » Applied research strategies and evaluation in health science (MPH-3)
- » Research project (master thesis) (MPH-4)

with emphasis on psychosocial aspects of health and related intervention strategies.

### **Objectives / Competences to be acquired**

The *Public Health – Psychosocial Prevention and Health Promotion* program aims at an enhancement of the efficiency and effectiveness of local health services. To achieve this, our program will provide students with proficiency in research and application of:

- » Advancement of health status in the general population
- » Health Promotion and Prevention,
- » Improvement of Quality of Life in Public Health,
- » Evaluation of health care interventions,
- » Quality management in health care systems.

### **Prospective Students and Employment Opportunities for Graduates**

Prospective students are degree candidates (BA) from health related disciplines, e.g. Psychology, Medicine, Sociology, Educational Sciences etc.

Persons may seek careers in administration or resource management in the public or private sectors of health service delivery, or in specialization in health planning, organization, policy formulation or analysis. Opportunities abound also for specialists trained in the systematic study of the distribution and determinants of disease or disability in population groups (Epidemiology).

### **Academics**

- » **Sciences basic to Public Health (MPH-1)**  
*(16 semester periods per week, 4 each semester)*  
Introduction in Public Health, Health Psychology, Health Policies, -law, -ethics, and economy, Social Epidemiology, Demographic Health Reports, and Health care system analysis and management
- » **Health Promotion and Prevention (MPH-2)**  
*(16 semester periods per week, 4 each semester)*  
Theories and Strategies of Health Promotion and Prevention; Practical Experience
- » **Applied research strategies and evaluation in health sciences (MPH-3)**  
*(8 semester periods per week, 2 each semester)*  
Introduction in Philosophy of Science, Methods of applied research strategies (data collection, descriptive and inference statistics, SPSS), evaluation and quality management in health sciences
- » **Master's Thesis (MPH-4)**  
*(8 semester periods per week, 2 each semester)*  
Presentation techniques, Scientific writing, Study Proposals, colloquia

### **Program Design**

The study course comprises of 4 semesters. Detailed course offerings will be available on our website.

### **Final Degree**

Master of Public Health (MPH)

### **Admission Requirements and Regulations**

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### **Tuition & Fees**

5787 € for the complete program, 1200 € per semester (exclusively 246,68 € university fee).

### **Future developments**

It is planned to convert the study course into a 120-credit program by 2010.

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