

DEPARTMENT OF GLOBAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH

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Administration

- Carolyn Drews-Botsch, Chair

The Department of Global and Community Health (GCH) is an interdisciplinary department that provides high quality instruction in the core disciplines of community health, global health, and public health at the undergraduate and graduate levels. We offer degrees that are accredited by the Council on Education in Public Health (CEPH) at the undergraduate, masters, and doctoral level, and provide a graduate certificate in public health. Our programs provide a foundation in the core disciplines of public health and prepare students to enter the domestic and global public health workforce. Our faculty have trained in a variety of related disciplines including: the behavioral and social sciences, biostatistics, epidemiology, environmental health, and psychology. Our faculty conduct interdisciplinary and innovative research that seeks to solve pressing and emerging domestic and global health problems including health disparities. Through our educational, research, and service missions, our work promotes health and well-being, especially among underserved and disadvantaged populations.

Faculty

Department Faculty

Professors

Bloom, Drews-Botsch (chair), Griffin, Metcalf, Nakkash, Roess, Weiler (senior associate dean of academic affairs), Weinstein, Winter

Associate Professors

Fleming, Gupta, Krall, Pollack, von Fricken, Williams

Assistant Professors

Chin, Davidson Mhonde, DuBois, Mitcham, Mitro, Turpin, Wang

Administrative Faculty

Beckwith, Chomitz

Emeriti

Baghi, Howell, Sluzki

Requirements & Policies

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Academic Advising

Each student is assigned an academic advisor who is a faculty member within their academic department or a professional academic advisor within the Office of Student Affairs (OSA). Academic advisor assignments are listed on the College of Public Health website (<https://publichealth.gmu.edu/students/academic-advising/>), and students are expected to meet with their advisor regularly (at least once each semester) to seek advice about academic schedules and program plans.

Students also should meet with their advisor if they are experiencing academic difficulty.

Student Responsibilities

All students are responsible for knowing the requirements of their major as specified in the university catalog for their catalog year; academic deadlines outlined in the semester academic calendar (<http://registrar.gmu.edu/calendars/>); and university policies and procedures as stated in the catalog.

Students also should run their own degree evaluation (<http://registrar.gmu.edu/students/degree-evaluation/>) to identify graduation requirements and progress towards their degree. While academic advisors can give advice to students, students are responsible for the academic planning decisions they make. Academic advisors cannot be held responsible for mistakes made by students in selecting courses that may not count toward their degree and thus delay a desired graduation date.

Programs

- Community Health, BS
- Epidemiology Graduate Certificate
- Global Health Graduate Certificate
- Global Health Minor
- Global Health, MS
- Physical Activity in Public Health Minor
- Public Health Graduate Certificate
- Public Health Minor
- Public Health, MPH
- Public Health, PhD