



PUBLIC HEALTH

BGSU COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The Bachelor of Science in Public Health with an Environmental Health Concentration degree prepares students for a career as an environmental health professional. Environmental health is a core area of public health. Environmental health professionals work in the area of environmental health, safety, sanitation and hygiene. Students may obtain jobs in this field immediately following graduation.

College of Health and Human Services – Public Health with Environmental Health Concentration

Points of Pride

- Environmental health graduates will be qualified to take the Registered Environmental Health Specialist/Sanitarian-in-Training examination leading to professional licensure.
- Classes are taught by dedicated faculty with professional public and environmental health experience.
- The 122 credit hour curriculum exposes students to the concepts necessary for success in the public and environmental health workplace. Students have the option to take many of the courses online.
- Students pursue a 180 hour internship with a public health organization of their choice for hands-on experience and to better understand their career options and preferences.
- According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics employment of environmental scientists and specialists is projected to grow 11 percent from 2016 to 2026, faster than the average for all occupations.

Career Paths

Environmental health professionals include many titles, such as environmental health practitioner, environmental health officer, and sanitarian. Most environmental health professionals specialize in a particular area, such as drinking water, food safety, school safety, vector control, air quality, swimming pools, housing, and more.




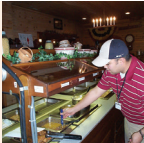

Alumni Success

Isaac Sakyi '15 is making a difference abroad as a Peace Corps community health volunteer on the island nation of Vanuatu. Using the knowledge gained from BGSU's public health program and his internship experience, Sakyi is effectively planning and administering health education programs to residents in a remote village called Lolovange with a population of 200. Sakyi is applying for graduate study programs in public health, where he hopes to pursue a career as an epidemiologist.

For more information
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MAJOR MAP

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CLASS OPTIONS	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
GOOD ADVICE	Meet with your advisor in the College of Health and Human Service.	Foster relationships with professors in the department of Public Health to get career advice.	Meet with your advisor to plan the remainder of your classes needed to graduate.	Meet with your faculty advisor to discuss internship opportunities.
RELEVANT EXPERIENCE	Volunteer and sign up for job shadowing experience at a local or state public or environmental health agency. 	Find activities, service, or employment opportunities that pertain to your interest.	Meet with your internship coordinator and plan for required public health internship.	Set goals for involvement, leadership, and accomplishments.
USEFUL CONNECTIONS	Explore opportunities to engage with your peers. Gather information about student organizations.	Join Public Health Student Organization or the Student Wellness Network. 	Take leadership role in Public Health student organization. Attend a state or national environmental health or public health national conference.	Join National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) at neha.org . Student memberships are available. 
GLOBAL VIEWS	Consider Education Abroad options at bgsu.edu/educationabroad .	Fulfill your international perspective requirement for BG Perspective.	Learn a foreign language.	Visit bgsu.edu/career-center . Explore in-demand careers, career pathways, and occupations using OhioMeansJobs.com .
CAREER PREP	Visit explorehealthcareers.org to see the opportunities in public and environmental health.	Meet with Career Center representatives to begin developing your resume.	Meet with Internship Coordinator to plan required 180 hour internship experience.	Complete internship at a Health Department, Environmental Health Agency, Public or Private Sector.