



Search Strategies for Finding Harvard Chan Alumni

Harvard Chan Alumni Directory – accessible from the Alumni page of the Harvard Chan webpage – <http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/>

1. Be sure to use both abbreviations and full names in the Organization Name Search Field. For example, use **Contains** and search using multiple possibilities such as “CDC” and “Centers,” NIH and National; WHO and World, etc.
2. Broaden your search by looking up one criterion at a time; for example, look up “Field of Practice” or “Business Country” without selecting a degree.
3. Use fewer words and titles to get more results. For example, if you are looking for hospital administrators in New York City; in Organization Name Search type: “hospital” and in City field type: “New York”.
4. Search just for ASK Mentors. These are alumni that have identified themselves as being available to answer questions for students. At the top of the Directory Search there’s a drop down menu that asks “Search ASK Mentors” – check Yes. State your request such as, “as you are listed as an ASK mentor on the Harvard Chan database I was wondering if you could offer some advice...”
5. If the alumna /us does not respond to you after a few weeks, try again. Keep your email brief but specific.

LinkedIn

6. To search for Harvard Chan alumni, join the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health Network [LinkedIn group](#).
7. More info on LinkedIn – Click on Advanced Search in LinkedIn and you can search alumni and others in your network by organization name, business title, or school. Do you and the alumnus share a connection? Reach out to those shared connections to ask for an email introduction.

Connect with Faculty and Administrators

8. Take your list of alumni to faculty and department and other administrators. Do they know anyone on the list? See if you can get an introduction that way.