

Partner Opportunities

The DrPH Program

The interdisciplinary DrPH Program prepares mid-career leaders for accelerated pathways toward high-impact leadership roles in public health and health care locally, nationally, and internationally. The program blends rigorous academic training, knowledge translation, experiential learning, and competency development to address complex public health. Students build advanced analytical and managerial toolkits to lead organizational and societal change. The three- to four-year program includes two years on-site at Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and a field-based culminating experience.

Partnership Opportunities

DrPH students gain practical experience in public health while working with senior public health practitioners and leaders. Collaborations complement academic coursework, advancing foundational knowledge and leadership competencies in real-world settings.



Community Block

Students meet with senior organizational leaders in 90-minute sessions sharing experiences, perspectives, and challenges, while gaining a sense of students' goals and priorities. Community Blocks are an ideal way to gain a window into the program and further opportunities to work with DrPH students.



First Academic-Year Immersion

Student teams work with a host organization and a faculty mentor to develop a robust teaching case reflecting on complex organizational decision points or challenges. DrPH teams initially engage with the host in the fall, spend three weeks with them full-time in January, and continue working with the host to complete deliverables through March.



Summer Immersion

Students engage with a host organization for 8–10 weeks for full-time, individual experiences developing new competencies and advancing existing skills to tackle a public health issue. Students are not funded by the program for this experience; they are encouraged to seek support from their host organization or funding from other third-party sources.



Doctoral Project

Culminating their DrPH training and knowledge translation, the Doctoral Project entails each student working with a host organization. The 8–10 month project supports the organization's strategic goals while advancing the student's leadership skills and engaging with the organization's senior leadership. Students are not funded by the DrPH program and typically are hired as employees or external consultants by the host organization.



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