MSc in PUBLIC HEALTH
STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE

McGill ranked Best University in Canada Among medical-doctoral universities by Maclean's Magazine 2018

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gram was transforming and rewarding.
The interdisciplinary approach allowed for regular, quality interactions with fellow students, faculty and staff across disciplines, and was paramount in enabling me to pursue my professional and academic interests.

Mike Dolph
Class of 2016

McGill’s MScPH program prepared me well for the real world. The program has a strong emphasis on epidemiology and quantitative sciences. A McGill public health degree opens doors to international opportunities both in the public and private sectors.

Jenny Liu
Class of 2014

“McGill’s strong reputation as a rigorous, technical program including a practicum played a key role in my decision of where to study. Following graduation, through connections made at McGill, I found a job directly related to my internship and interest.”

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What People Have to Say About Us

Our alumni are an important part of the McGill community. Here is what they have to say about their time in the MScPH program.
Learning Beyond the Classroom

Our students have the opportunity to learn about research, policy and other current issues in public health through various seminar series. Guest lecturers include prominent researchers, academics and practitioners.

Epidemiology Seminars
This seminar series keeps students and faculty up to date on research topics in epidemiology.

IHSP Seminar Series
The Institute of Heath and Social Policy seminar series explores how social and environmental conditions impact health and how this knowledge can be translated into policies and programs that improve the health, well-being and resilience of people and communities.

Global Health Seminars
Global Health Programs seminar topics include communicable and non-communicable disease, education and capacity building, policy and economics, environmental and social determinants of health, and global health innovations and technologies.

Gain Real World Experience
The mandatory practicum project lets students apply what they have learned in the classroom in a supervised practice or research setting. Our students contribute to an organization’s mandate, and address a public health problem of interest to them. They also develop skills as public health practitioners or researchers. Practicums are available in Quebec, Canada and internationally.

During the practicum experience, our students:
- Develop interpersonal, professional and communication skills.
- Build the Public Health Core Competencies.
- Apply graduate-level teachings.
- Grow their network of professional contacts for mentorship and job searches.

The practicum consists of a single project that addresses a public health issue. It is supervised by a qualified, on-site public health expert. The experience takes place over 14-16 full-time weeks in the summer after the first year of coursework.

See the Practicum Brochure on the MScPH website for more details.
McGill MScPH students have a presence around the world. Global health practica are available. See below for a map of previous placement sites. Students may also apply to do a semester exchange with Melbourne University in Australia.

**Practicum placement site**

**Student exchange site**

**Student Support**

McGill's MScPH program is a welcoming, close-knit academic community of staff and students. We are committed to supporting students to help them achieve their academic goals.

**Program Guidance**

MScPH departmental staff are available to students who need help or advice with applications, course selection, practica and more.

**Career Guidance**

The McGill Career Planning Service (CaPS) assists students in their career development and search for jobs, by providing workshops, individual advising, a comprehensive job posting service, and an extensive Career Resource Centre.

**Orientation Activities**

Students meet their teachers and learn more about the program during the annual departmental orientation. This is also a chance to bond with fellow classmates before the semester begins.

Over $375,000 awarded to support student practica since 2012.

100% of our students received financial support for their practicum in 2017 from the department or from their host site.

Over $250,000 in practicum stipends secured since 2012.
McGill’s downtown campus is situated in the vibrant, multi-lingual cosmopolitan city of Montreal, which was ranked World’s Best Student City in 2017 by the QS Best Student Cities index.

The Master of Science in Public Health program is housed under the School of Population and Global Health. It is located close to the McGill University Health Centre and the McGill University Health Network, its Research Institutes, the Québec public health agency, and the Montreal regional health authority.

Activities
The Post Graduate Students’ Society is an association of all graduate students and postdoctoral fellows at McGill. See their website for activities, orientations, Thompson House graduate student building and more.

Services
There are many services available to students on campus including: Career Planning Service • Counselling • International Student Services • Office for Students with Disabilities • Psychiatric Services • etc.

McGill has an international reputation for excellence in university education. Our graduates are known for their strong methodological skills. They work in government, in the private sector, in NGOs and in not-for-profits.

What kind of work?
- Health Policy Analyst
- Program Consultant
- Senior Epidemiologist
- Planning Officer
- Research Coordinator
- Project Manager

What sectors?
- Management 40%
- Nonprofit 30%
- More training 10%
- Policy 10%
- Others 10%
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