

The Applied Practice Experience (APE) is:

- · An essential part of public health training
- Designed to give students the opportunity to apply their skill sets in a real world setting
- A way for students to build practical skills that they will need for career success
- An opportunity for mentoring of students by a professional preceptor from a host organization

The Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH; ceph.org) accreditation requirements state that "activities meeting the Applied Practice Experience (APE) [practica or internships] should be mutually beneficial to both the site and student."

The purpose of the applied practice is:

To allow students to apply coursework content to projects and assignments in practice-based settings.

REQUIREMENTS & DOCUMENTATION:

 CEPH requirements call for two deliverables to be completed during and/or after the applied practice experience concludes. These will be products completed as part of the experience at the organization or agency. Chamberlain's Master of Public Health (MPH) degree program includes three deliverables, meeting the CEPH requirements and the higher academic standards of the MPH degree program.

The three Chamberlain MPH degree program deliverables include:

- Two successful projects which address public health needs of a partner organization and the submission of a high-quality written product
- 2. A poster presentation, submitted in the course
- 3. A professional ePortfolio, submitted in the course
- Additionally, all applied practice experience projects must demonstrate attainment of at least five competencies:
- -Three must be from the CEPH MPH Foundational Competencies (listed on page 2 of this document).
- And up to two from the Chamberlain MPH Program Concentration Competencies list (shown on page 3 of this document).
- A Student Learning Agreement (SLA) typeable PDF, must be submitted within the first three weeks of the MPH-610 and must include a signature by the student and by the student's preceptor. The form should include the selected competencies to be completed so that objectives and activities may occur for time spent at the site.
- Responsibilities for the student are outlined in the MPH Applied Practice Experience Student Handbook.
- Responsibilities for the preceptor are outlined in the MPH Preceptor Manual.



MPH FOUNDATIONAL COMPETENCIES BY THE COUNCIL ON EDUCATION IN PUBLIC HEALTH (CEPH)

Evidence-Based Approaches to Public Health	Policy in Public Health	
C1: Apply epidemiological methods to the breadth of settings and situations in public health practice	C12: Discuss multiple dimensions of the policy-making process, including the roles of ethics and evidence	
C2: Select quantitative and qualitative data collection methods appropriate for a given public health context	C13: Propose strategies to identify stakeholders and build coalitions and partnerships for influencing public health outcomes	
C3: Analyze quantitative and qualitative data using biostatistics, informatics, computer-based programming and software, as appropriate	C14: Advocate for political, social or economic policies and programs that will improve health in diverse populations	
C4: Interpret results of data analysis for public health research, policy or practice	C15: Evaluate policies for their impact on public health and health equity	
Public Health & Healthcare Systems	Leadership	
C5: Compare the organization, structure and function of healthcare, public health and regulatory systems across national and international settings	C16: Apply principles of leadership, governance and management which include creating a vision, empowering others, fostering collaboration and guiding decision-making	
C6: Discuss the means by which structural bias, social inequities and racism undermine health and create challenges to achieving health equity at organizational, community and societal levels	C17: Apply negotiation and mediation skills to address organizational or community challenges	
Planning & Management to Promote Health	Communication	
C7: Assess population needs, assets and capacities that affect communities' health	C18: Select communication strategies for different audiences and sectors	
C8: Apply awareness of cultural values and practices to the design or implementation of public health policies	C19: Communicate audience-appropriate public health content, both in writing and through oral presentation	
or programs	C20: Describe the importance of cultural competence	
C9: Design a population-based policy, program, project or intervention	in communicating public health content	
C10: Explain basic principles and tools of budget and resource management	InterProfessional Practice	
C11: Select methods to evaluate public health programs	C21: Perform effectively on interprofessional teams	
	Systems Thinking	

 $Reference: Council \ on \ Education \ for \ Public \ Health \ [CEPH]. \ (2016). \ Accreditation \ criteria. \ Silver \ Spring, \ MD: \ Author.$

C22: Apply systems thinking tools to a public health issue



CHAMBERLAIN UNIVERSITY MPH DEGREE PROGRAM CONCENTRATION COMPETENCIES

- 1. Apply health behavior theories to assess a public health issue.
- 2. Apply a community-based participatory research technique to assess community needs.
- 3. Practice self-reflection to evaluate beliefs, values, feelings or assumptions to identify and solve global public health problems.
- 4. Develop an action plan to address environmental health challenges.
- 5. Develop a public health business plan using social marketing and target analysis skills.

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STUDENT LEARNING AGREEMENT (SLA)

STUDENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Complete this SLA Form and submit it in the appropriate place within the MPH-610: ILE-APE 1 course. It must include signatures from both the student and the preceptor and must be submitted within the first three weeks of the MPH-610 course.



IDENTIFY THE 5 COMPETENCIES THAT YOU WILL ATTAIN THROUGH THE APE ACTIVITIES

Three competencies must be selected from the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) MPH Foundational Competencies and two must be selected from the Chamberlain MPH Concentration Competencies list.

: Apply epidemiological methods to the breadth of settings and situations in public health practice
2.
C7: Assess population needs, assets and capacities that affect communities' health
3.
C18: Select communication strategies for different audiences
and sectors
4.
Apply a community-based participatory research technique to assess community needs.



5.	
4. Develop an action plan to address environmental health challenges.	
Briefly describe anticipated activities and projects planned for your Applied F	Practice Experience (APE) and how they will
help you meet the competencies outlined above. Also, include how these act	ivities will benefit the host organization.
I believe the activities I will engage while Upstate New York Poison Control Cente a collaborative approach to health education and poison prevention in the commu	r would not only enhance public safety but also foster nity.
Public health relevance/importance: Briefly state how the project impacts po	
My project is about poison control at The Upstate New York Poison Center. The coroniding real-time information through our 24/7 poison helpline and by sharing lift counties of New York. I anticipate learning more about poison control and how to educational materials aimed at schools, community centers, and healthcare provinceognize symptoms of poisoning, and know when to call for help.	e-saving poison prevention education in all 54 develop Community Education Programs, including
Student Signature:	Date: 3/19/25
Preceptor Signature:	Date: 3/2//25