



College of  
Public Health

# FACTS

The University of Iowa College of Public Health (CPH) is part of a major research university and serves as a comprehensive public health resource for the state of Iowa, the Midwest region, and the nation. The college, founded in 1999, offers training leading to bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees as well as combined degree options. A wide array of programs ranging from aging studies to zoonotic diseases allows students to explore diverse areas of interest.

The College of Public Health takes pride in its multidisciplinary, collaborative approach to addressing public health challenges and training the next generation of public health leaders, educators, and researchers.

## COLLEGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH **Distinctions**

- The CPH is ranked among the top 10 publicly supported colleges of public health, according to *U.S. News and World Report*. Its Department of Health Management and Policy is ranked number 5 and Department of Biostatistics is ranked number 7 among similar programs at publicly supported universities.
- The college is fully accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) and is Iowa's only accredited school of public health.
- CPH faculty are recognized by their peers as leading scholars and experts in their disciplines. Faculty are members and fellows in many organizations, including the National Academy of Medicine, American College of Healthcare Executives, and American Statistical Association.
- The College of Public Health Building has achieved Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Platinum certification, the highest standard for sustainable design.



- The college's Undergrad to Grad combined degree program allows incoming undergraduates to earn both a bachelor's and master's degree in five years.
- The CPH offers a world-class education with a personal touch, including small class sizes, hands-on learning experiences, active student organizations, and a commitment to inter-professional education.
- The CPH offers academic excellence at an affordable price. A variety of financial assistance, in the form of fellowships, scholarships, traineeships, and teaching and research assistantships, is available.
- Three Collective Areas of Excellence—Rural Health, Comparative Effectiveness Research, and Community Engagement—inform collegiate growth and innovation in research, academics, and outreach.
- The University of Iowa is named a “Best Buy” in the 2018 *Fiske Guide to Colleges*—one of only 20 public universities on the list.

## Academics

[cph.uiowa.edu/degree-programs](http://cph.uiowa.edu/degree-programs)

### Undergraduate Programs

- Public Health: B.A., B.S.

### Undergrad to Grad Combined Degree Programs

Undergraduate students from the University of Iowa, Coe College, Cornell College, and Grinnell College can earn a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in five years.

### Graduate Programs

#### *Department of Biostatistics*

- Biostatistics: M.S., Ph.D.
- Quantitative Methods: M.P.H.

#### *Department of Community and Behavioral Health*

- Community and Behavioral Health: M.P.H., Ph.D.

#### *Department of Epidemiology*

- Clinical Investigation: M.S.
- Epidemiology: M.P.H., M.S., Ph.D.



### ***Department of Health Management and Policy***

- Health Administration: M.H.A., Executive M.H.A.
- Health Policy: M.S.
- Health Services and Policy: Ph.D.
- Policy: M.P.H.

### ***Department of Occupational and Environmental Health***

- Agricultural Safety and Health: M.S., Ph.D.
- Industrial Hygiene: M.S., Ph.D.
- Occupational and Environmental Health: M.P.H., M.S., Ph.D.
- Occupational Medicine Residency

### **Degree Programs for Professionals**

Professional M.P.H. for Practicing Veterinarians (with Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine)

### **Combined Degree Opportunities**

- Combined degree in Business: M.H.A.
- Combined degree in Law: M.P.H., M.H.A.
- Combined degree in Medicine: M.P.H.
- Combined degree in Pharmacy: M.P.H.
- Combined degree in Veterinary Medicine: M.P.H.
- Combined degree in Urban and Regional Planning: M.S.

### **Interdisciplinary Programs**

- Graduate Program in Human Toxicology

### **Certificate Programs**

- Agricultural Safety and Health
- Biostatistics
- Emerging Infectious Disease Epidemiology
- Graduate Certificate in Healthcare Management (available Fall 2018)
- Public Health
- Translational and Clinical Investigation

## Research

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The College of Public Health, with more than 25 interdisciplinary centers, fosters a vibrant, multidisciplinary research program. CPH investigators secured \$38.1 million in external funding for public health research in fiscal year 2017.

A special emphasis is given to rural public health issues, including agricultural safety and health, environmental health, occupational health, zoonotic infectious disease, health and aging, community-based nutrition and childhood obesity prevention, health communication, and organization of health care in rural settings.

Graduate students may qualify for research assistantships, take part in research-based internships or practicum experiences, or conduct original research as part of their studies.





## **Outreach and Service**

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CPH faculty, staff, and students provide critical public health outreach to each of Iowa's 99 counties. Here are just a few examples of CPH outreach activities:

- CPH Continuing Education Programs – More than 23,000 individuals participated in programs in fiscal year 2017
- Business Leadership Network – Provides opportunities for Iowa businesses to engage with CPH training, service, and research initiatives
- State Health Registry of Iowa – Collects and analyzes statewide cancer data
- Injury Prevention Research Center – Conducts an annual statewide child passenger restraint survey
- Center for Public Health Statistics – In conjunction with the Iowa Department of Public Health, produces the Iowa Health Fact Book, a compilation of county-specific health indicators
- Iowa's Center for Agricultural Safety and Health – Provides safety programs to protect farmers and rural youths



## **Diversity**

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The College of Public Health interprets diversity as embracing and respecting all races, nationalities, colors, creeds, religions, age, disabilities, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or associational preference.

The college believes that diversity in the classroom is a vital component of educating future public health professionals and scientists. A well-rounded, culturally competent public health workforce is required to meet the health needs of the nation's growing ethnic and racial populations and to address the pressing health disparities faced by many groups. The college is committed to facilitating an atmosphere rich in cultural perspectives and actively supports and promotes diversity in the college and public health workforce.





## **Students**

- [cph.uiowa.edu/prospective-students-undergraduate](http://cph.uiowa.edu/prospective-students-undergraduate)
- [cph.uiowa.edu/prospective-students-graduate](http://cph.uiowa.edu/prospective-students-graduate)

Total number of students: 453\*

B.A./B.S.: 32

M.H.A.: 86

M.P.H.: 176

M.S.: 67

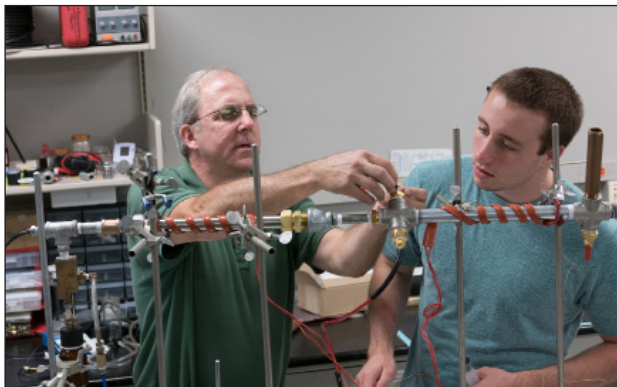
Ph.D.: 92

Minority: 20%

International: 9%

\*Numbers reflect enrollment during FY2017





## **Faculty**

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Primary faculty: 78

Faculty by department:

Biostatistics 16

Community and Behavioral Health 11

Epidemiology 17

Health Management and Policy 16

Occupational and Environmental Health 18

Secondary faculty: 60

Adjunct faculty: 85

Percentage of women that are primary faculty: 39.7%

Percentage of minorities that are primary faculty: 15.3%

\* as of fall 2017



## Careers

Public health professionals fill a variety of critical roles, including research, health promotion, education, health management, and policy development. Here are just a few examples of the career opportunities in public health:

- Public Health Educator
- Epidemiologist
- Hospital CEO
- Health Communication Specialist
- Biostatistician
- Health Policy Analyst
- College or University Professor
- Health Services Administrator
- Environmental Biologist
- Public Health Program Evaluator
- Health Informatics Specialist
- Public Health Veterinarian

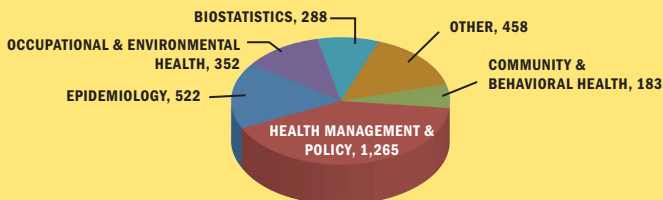


## Alumni

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The CPH alumni body consists of more than 3,000 graduates who have made their marks across the globe, influencing policy, conducting research, guiding communities toward healthier outcomes, and training future public health educators and leaders. Alumni are involved in the college as mentors, lecturers, board members, practicum site hosts, and guests at special events.

### LIVING ALUMNI BY DEPARTMENT



### NOTABLE CPH ALUMNI INCLUDE:

**Anshul Dixit** (M.H.A. '08, M.P.H. '08), is medical director at Blue Shield of California, a health insurance provider serving 4 million members in the state. He collaborates with network providers to improve health care quality and affordability and works within a multidisciplinary team to assure the quality and medical necessity of services accessed by plan members.

**Merrill Overturf** (Ph.D. '70), professor of cardiovascular medicine at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston Medical School. He is a widely respected researcher and mentor who received a 2013-14 Dean's Teaching Excellence Award from the UT Health Medical School.

**Danielle Pettit-Majewski** (M.P.H. '10), public health administrator for Washington County, Iowa. She provides leadership and builds partnerships with community collaborators to address evolving public health concerns and issues at the county level and broader area.

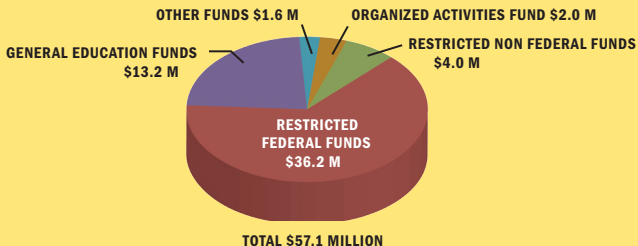
**Jim Skogsbergh** (M.A. '82), president and CEO of Advocate Health Care in Downers Grove, Ill. Advocate is the largest health system in Illinois, offering nearly 400 sites of care with 12 acute-care hospitals.

**Stephen Streed** (M.S. '75), a 40-year veteran in the field of hospital epidemiology, is system director of epidemiology/ infection prevention at Lee Memorial Health System in Fort Myers, Fla. He leads system-wide initiatives to keep patients safe from health care-associated infections.

**Wei Zhang** (Ph.D. '05), global head of biostatistics and data sciences, Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals in Shanghai, China. He manages a biostatistics and data management team to support quality and innovative clinical research in Asia, the Middle East, and North Africa.

## **Budget**

### **CPH EXPENDITURES BY FUND, FY 2017**





## **Living in Iowa City**

A vibrant community of about 74,000, Iowa City is part of a growing metropolitan area of about 250,000. Set along the rolling banks of the Iowa River, the city is infused with a lively mix of restaurants, shops, music, art, festivals, sports, and family activities, yet retains the scope and friendliness of a small town. With its numerous parks, outstanding schools, and strong sense of community, Iowa City is an exceptional place to live and learn.

- Iowa City ranked #2 among “Top 100 Best Places to Live 2017” with populations between 20,000 and 350,000 (Livability)
- Iowa City #2 of Best 25 Cities for Entrepreneurs (Entrepreneur)
- Iowa City ranked #5 for Best College Towns in America (Business Insider)
- Iowa City is 1 of 28 UNESCO Cities of Literature in the world, and was the first designated in the U.S.

## **Leadership**

### **Interim Dean**

Keith Mueller, Ph.D.

### **Associate Dean for Administration**

Lori Cranston, M.B.A., C.P.A.

### **Associate Dean for Academic Affairs**

Tanya Uden-Holman, M.A., Ph.D.

### **Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs**

Jeffrey Dawson, Sc.D.

### **Associate Dean for Research**

Corinne Peek-Asa, M.P.H., M.A., Ph.D.

## **DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

### **Biostatistics**

Joseph Cavanaugh, Ph.D.

### **Community and Behavioral Health**

Edith A. Parker, Dr.P.H.

### **Epidemiology**

Elizabeth Chrischilles, Ph.D.

### **Health Management and Policy**

Marcia Ward, Ph.D. (interim)

### **Occupational and Environmental Health**

Peter Thorne, M.S., Ph.D.



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