

## GLOBAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH

<http://chhs.gmu.edu/gch/index>

### Name and description of the field:

The Community Health degree is focused on understanding health issues related to the community and large populations at the national and international levels. It provides a foundation for graduate study in such disciplines as public health, global health, human resources, nutrition, health promotion, and epidemiology. Students can choose from one of four concentrations offered within the Community Health major:

- Global Health is designed for students interested in public health at the global level and is particularly focused on improving health conditions in developing countries.,
- Health Education prepares students to enter careers in health education and to sit for the professional health educators' licensure exam.
- Nutrition is designed for students interested in community nutrition. Students will develop an understanding of nutrition issues and intervention.
- Pre-health Professions prepares student to apply for graduate medical and dental programs, as well as physical therapy and physician assistant programs. This concentration does not guarantee entrance into a graduate program.

### What special skills or abilities are needed to succeed in this major?

This is a major for students with interest in the clinical and health-related sciences. Those with interest in helping others and guiding them toward healthful lifestyles would be well suited for this major.

### Sample Occupations:

Admitting Officer	Patient Advocate
Health Promotion & Wellness Coordinator	Risk Manager
Medical Records Administrator	Public Health Worker
Director of Marketing and Activities Coordinator	Dietetic Technician
Pharmaceutical Representative	Health Analyst
Health Care Case Manager	Nutritionist Assistant

### Organizations that have hired recent George Mason University Community Health graduates include:

Companion Assisted Care	American Red Cross	Fairfax County
HCA	Sunrise Assisted Living	
Kaplan Clinic	BIA Financial Network	
Arrhythmia Associates	INOVA Health Systems	
DC Department of Health	Pfizer	

**Printed Resources** – See [http://careers.gmu.edu/careerlibrary/wheretostart/nurs\\_hsci.pdf](http://careers.gmu.edu/careerlibrary/wheretostart/nurs_hsci.pdf) for information located in the Career Library, 3400 SUB I.

**Online Resources** - [http://careers.gmu.edu/onlineresources/nurs\\_hsci.htm](http://careers.gmu.edu/onlineresources/nurs_hsci.htm)

## EXPLORING MAJORS

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