

**FOR NATIVE AMERICAN LEARNERS:
EARN AN MPH WITH A FOCUS ON MANAGEMENT, POLICY, AND INFORMATICS
THROUGH THE **UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA** SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH
SPRING 2022 - v. 1.0**

The confluence of several programs provides an opportunity for **Native American students** interested in getting a Masters in Public Health (MPH) degree with an emphasis on management, policy, and public health informatics.

The **Public Health Administration and Policy (PHAP) MPH** at the University of Minnesota School of Public Health focuses on developing skills in management and leadership, policy writing and analysis, and data analytics. Starting in the Summer of 2020, the PHAP program began offering full scholarships to Native American students who meet the regular criteria for admission. The program has made this commitment for up to \$100,000 in total scholarship awards a year for five years. As of Spring 2022, there are six Native American scholarship recipients in PHAP MPH programs.

The PHAP degree is offered in 3 formats

- [Traditional](#) (on campus; 44 credits)
- [Executive](#) (online with 5 short visits to campus over 30 months; for students who already have experience in health or public health; 42 credits)
- [Distance](#) (fully online; 44 credits)

Traditional students attend school full-time (usually 11-12 credits a semester). Distance and executive students attend school online part- or full-time (4-10 credits a semester) while remaining embedded in their communities and working in public health, health care, community health, or population health organizations.

In Fall 2021, the PHAP program received a grant (as part of the TRIUMPH [Training in Informatics for Under-Represented Minorities in Public Health] consortium) to support Applied Practice experiences (internships) focused on informatics. These informatics-focused AP experiences come with a small stipend for both the student and a site mentor (approximately \$2000 for each).

Interested applicants: please contact the program for more information and application deadlines.

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