PhD in Health Promotion and Prevention Research

Program Description

A PhD in HPPR will prepare students to perform high-quality community-engaged research and develop innovative responses to the significant public health challenges facing underserved populations. Students in this program will gain advanced training in qualitative and quantitative research methods, health behavior theory, and social determinants of health.

Why choose HPPR?

• Students work with our expert faculty who engage marginalized communities (e.g., LGBTQ, ethnic minorities, and individuals living in rural areas) to address chronic disease, mental health, sexual health, and use of tobacco and other substances.

• Students have opportunities to develop interdisciplinary collaborations with medical professionals, government agencies, and non-profits.

• Students leave this program prepared to conduct rigorous research that can influence health policy and/or health education programs.

• Students receive 3 years of tuition + stipend.
Curriculum Highlights
(66 credit hours)

• Qualitative and Quantitative Methods

• Theory based intervention development and implementation

• Applied research with a faculty mentor

To Apply

Complete the online SOPHAS application and the online UAMS COPH supplemental application.

For more information check out publichealth.UAMS.edu.
The HPPR program provided the exposure to many different areas of public health research, and focused on research skills that I apply every day in my position. The early engagement in research helped me to better understand the field and to develop practical, achievable professional goals. My job is just what I wanted it to be, and the PhD in HPPR made it possible.

The UAMS College of Public Health offered me the opportunity to advance my knowledge in both research and practice; I use the knowledge and skills I gained every day to reach my fellow Arkansans with critical evidence-based public health messages.

The best part of this program has been the mentorship and the opportunities that come with it--contributing to faculty’s groundbreaking health promotion and prevention research while also receiving support to explore and establish my own research projects.

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Mission

The mission of the Fay W. Boozman College of Public Health is to improve the health and promote the well-being of individuals, families, and communities in Arkansas through education, research, and service.