MPH/MBA Frequently Asked Questions

What is the tuition for this program?
Tuition is based on the School of Public Health full-time tuition rate for (8) eight terms.

How competitive is the application process?
The MPH MBA is rigorous with an emphasis on quantitative coursework. MPH MBA students take a full-year, 4-course sequence of biostatistics, as well as courses in financial accounting and corporate finance. Additionally, students are required to take courses in economics, epidemiology and other scientific and mathematic disciplines. Therefore, successful applicants must demonstrate particularly strong quantitative skills through their previous coursework and/or standardized test scores.

Do I need to take the GMAT, GRE, or both?
Applicants are required to take either the GRE (preferred) or the GMAT. Applicants may elect to have their applications reviewed without standardized test scores if they have earned an advanced degree beyond the baccalaureate. However, in doing so, applicants will put themselves at a significant disadvantage for admission into the program unless their admission materials clearly demonstrate significant quantitative and analytical skills. This is particularly true for applicants with medical degrees earned outside of the US.

If I pursue the MPH/MBA Program, will I have the flexibility to take additional public health and business electives?
Yes, in addition to the core requirements for both degrees, students complete a minimum of 11 MPH electives and 5 MBA electives

Am I eligible for financial aid if I am enrolled in this program?
MPH MBA students apply for financial aid through the School of Public Health Financial Aid Office. Financial aid is generally limited to loans and only US citizens and permanent residents are eligible for federally funded loans. International students may apply for loans through private institutions.

Can I get merit based funding for the MPH/MBA Program?
All applicants to the MPH MBA are considered for institutional funding. Your application to the MPH MBA serves as your application for these highly competitive, merit-based scholarships. No additional application is required.

When I complete the program, will I receive one degree or two degrees?
You will receive two degrees from Johns Hopkins University: a Master of Public Health and a Master of Business Administration on two separate diplomas.

Can I pursue an MPH concentration while being enrolled in the MPH/MBA program?
You are encouraged to think of the MPH/MBA as your concentration. Though a few students have completed an MPH concentration in addition to the MPH/MBA Program in the past, it is not recommended. You will have the opportunity to take electives during the program, but completing all the requirements for a concentration is quite challenging.

Where will courses be held?
The MPH courses are held in East Baltimore at the Bloomberg School of Public Health and students have the option of taking some courses online. The MPH curriculum is completed with the general population of public health students.

Most of your MBA courses are offered at Carey’s Harbor East Campus, which is 2 miles from the School of Public Health. There is a free shuttle between the two campuses. You will take your MBA courses with the MPH MBA cohort, as well as other MBA students at Carey.
Can I take this program on a part-time basis?
No. You must be enrolled as a full-time student for at least 21 months in order to complete this program.

I recently received my MPH degree. Am I eligible for this program?
You should apply directly for the Master of Business Administration degree program offered by the Carey Business School. It is possible that you will be waived from certain courses in this program, based on your previous academic experience.

How do I apply to this program?
Applications for the dual degree program are submitted to the School of Public Health and will be reviewed by the admissions committees of both Schools. Applications for the program can be attained online. If you have already been accepted into the MPH and you would like to be considered for the MPH/MBA Program, send a brief written statement of your intentions via email to the MPH Program at mphprog@jhu.edu and your application will be forwarded to the Carey Business School if there are any remaining open slots for the upcoming cohort.

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