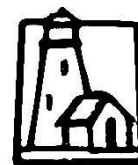




School of Medicine

Master of Public Health Lighthouse Scholarship Program



Through collaboration with the Wayne State University School of Medicine (WSU-SOM) Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences and the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, we are pleased to offer this exciting opportunity.

Program Description:

This program is designed to increase the quantity and quality of the public health workforce in Wayne County and the state of Michigan. Students selected for this scholarship will receive full-tuition funding to complete the WSU MPH degree (42-credits). The WSU MPH Degree is not an online program. Several classes are conducted online but we do require that you attend in-person courses.

Scholarship Selection Criteria:

--Applicants must be eligible to be accepted into the MPH Program.

This includes:

--Overall undergraduate GPA average of 3.0 or higher and grades of 3.0 or higher in mathematics, social science, and natural science college courses.

--College level math. Applicants are required to have a grade of B or better in a college mathematics or statistics course within the last 5 years.

--If graduated from a non-US college, need proof of English language proficiency.

--Other graduate degree requirements for the university and the MPH Program.

--Please see website for detailed MPH Program admission requirements

<https://familymedicine.med.wayne.edu/mph/admissionsrequirements>

--Be a US citizen or US national, US permanent resident or other eligible noncitizen.

--Demonstrate proof of financial need

--Completion of Lighthouse Scholarship Application (link below)

--Preference is given to applicants who are underrepresented minorities in public health, which include the following:

- ☐ African American: Origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa
- ☐ Latino-Hispanic: Person of Cuban, Puerto Rican, Mexican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.
- ☐ American Indian/Alaska Native: Person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America, including Central America, and who maintains a tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- ☐ Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander: Origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific islands.

--Preference is given to applicants from disadvantaged backgrounds, which include the following:

- ☐ First child in family to receive a college degree
- ☐ Graduated high school from a rural/small town community
- ☐ Raised or currently in a family with an annual income below established low-income thresholds.

Application Process:

The program is limited to 10 students per year and is highly competitive. Interested students are encouraged to apply early. The MPH Program enrollment occurs year-round through the semester system (Fall, Winter, Spring/Summer). Scholarship applicants are encouraged to plan and apply for this scholarship opportunity early.

Scholarship Application Deadline	MPH Program Application Deadline
Fall semester: June 1	Fall semester: July 1
Winter semester: October 1	Winter semester: November 1
Spring/Summer semester: February 1	Spring/Summer semester: March 1

Scholarship applicants will be notified to formally apply to the WSU graduate school and MPH Program.

Terms of Scholarship:

You will be asked to agree and attest to the following statements on the application form.

Please read the following statement and mark the boxes provided to indicate your understanding and acceptance of the terms and responsibilities of the scholarship:

The Lighthouse Scholarship Program is designed specifically for students pursuing the WSU MPH degree to enhance the quantity and quality of the public health workforce in Wayne County and Michigan. To evaluate the outcomes of the scholarship program, it will be necessary to obtain and analyze feedback from the participants. If I am selected to receive this scholarship, I agree to the following terms:

- 1) I agree to complete scholarship and programmatic evaluations as needed to fulfill the federal funding guidelines. ☐ Agree
- 2) I agree to participate fully in the MPH Degree Program including participating in the Lighthouse Scholarship Ambassador program, extra-curricular activities as able and graduate successfully. ☐ Agree as
- 3) During the program, I agree to meet with the Lighthouse Scholarship leadership and Advisory committees to discuss my experiences and offer feedback about the program. ☐ Agree the

For any information regarding the Lighthouse Scholarship or the MPH Program, please email: mph@med.wayne.edu

If applying as an employee of a city/county health department, please click on the special link here:

https://waynestate.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0B4mxAE42CIOAvQ

All others, please click on the link below here:

https://waynestate.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2nKORaheXsFutAG

See below for additional application tips:

Helpful hints when applying for the scholarship:

1. Prior to filling out the application, we recommend having some materials completed that you can just copy and paste into the form. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed by the scholarship selection committee.
 - You will be asked for general demographic information
 - Your undergraduate and/or other degree GPA, year of graduation and name of school
 - Any relevant work experience, where, and for how long
 - Any relevant volunteer experience, where, and for how long
 - A personal statement that is no more than 350 words:
 - ⇒ "Please tell us how receiving the MPH degree will advance your career plans."
 - If you are currently employed in a city or county health department, you are required to upload a recommendation letter from your health officer.
2. We recommend that you apply for the WSU MPH degree at the same time you are applying for the scholarship. It will facilitate the process of selection.
3. If you are having any difficulty with the application or software system, uploading any documents, etc., please don't hesitate to email us at mph@med.wayne.edu
4. Good luck and let us know if you have any questions or concerns.