Human health is intrinsically linked to the health of the environment. Growing challenges related to food and water security, ecosystem degradation, human and wildlife interaction and climate change require the interdisciplinary approach that is at the heart of public health.

Students come to MU from all over the country and the world to gain core public health skills in research, program planning and evaluation, epidemiology and policy development. MU MPH alumni return to their communities as leaders, promoting health at agencies including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria, and state and local health departments throughout the country.
Active, Engaged, Interdisciplinary
Public health faculty and students at MU are actively engaged in research, service, learning and collaboration toward finding prevention-oriented, sustainable and life-enhancing solutions for the future.

Global Certificate
The MU MPH Program’s Graduate Certificate in Global Public Health recognizes the interconnectedness of our shrinking global community and offers public health professionals a chance to enhance their cultural competence and awareness of health challenges that require a global response such as climate change and food and water security.

Collaboration with Conservation Medicine
The MU MPH Program is an active partner with the Saint Louis Zoo Institute for Conservation Medicine in researching the links between animal, human and ecological health.

GetAboutColumbia
MU MPH students take courses on the built-environment and put their knowledge to work in community efforts such as the Non-Motorized Transportation Pilot program GetAboutColumbia.

Water quality
Community-based field placements here and abroad involve public health students in interdisciplinary projects such as an effort with Engineers without Borders to improve water quality in Belize, Honduras and Guatemala.

Give now to support tomorrow’s public health leaders:

Student Opportunities Fund:
Your contribution will support the travel and expenses of MPH students who have been invited to present their work at national meetings of the American Public Health Association (APHA), the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Unite for Sight and many other conferences. MPH students needing assistance in funding internships out-of-state or abroad may also apply to the Student Opportunities Fund for support.

Additional Opportunities:
If you are interested in exploring additional ways to support the MPH program at MU and the diverse, committed and energetic students it attracts, please contact Lise Saffran, Interim Director at (573) 884-6835.