Ph.D. in Public Health

UTSouthwestern
O'Donnell School of Public Health

Be a public health champion

Our Ph.D. in Public Health program is committed to providing excellence for impact, offering unique, world-class training, valuable mentorship, and meaningful collaboration for the next generation of public health leaders. We are driven to develop creative scholars and researchers who will discover answers to the public health challenges facing our communities today and in times to come.



Program spotlight

Location/Length: In-person in Dallas, Texas/4-5 years

- Admitted students receive a full tuition waiver and stipend.
- No application fee; GRE is optional.

Ph.D. funding

- 5-year funding commitment as a GRA
- Tuition and insurance covered
- Stipend: \$37,000 per year

Degree requirements

- Master's degree
- 3 letters of recommendation
- Statement of purpose and objectives
- Writing sample

Mentors

Students are matched with faculty members who have expertise in data science, health policy, health economics, and bioinformatics.

Important deadlines

Ph.D. students start in the fall of each year.

Applications open

September 1

Priority deadline

December 1

Applications due

February 1

The new Ph.D. in Public Health program is pending approval by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.



Learn more about the program utsouthwestern.edu/osphadmissions

Two innovative paths ... one impactful degree



Health Economics and Policy

Health Economics and Policy is a multidisciplinary field of scientific investigation that examines the multiple facets of policies and programs that impact individual and community health and well-being.

Students will:

- Develop expertise in economic theory, including consumer and firm decision-making and economic valuation
- Learn theoretical and empirical approaches to policy research in a dynamic, interdisciplinary environment and develop rigorous research design and analytical skills



Health Data Science

Health Data Science focuses on the applications of data sciences methods to facilitate and improve health science, biomedical research, and patient care.

Students will:

- Learn practical skills to extract meaningful knowledge from noisy structured and unstructured biomedical data
- Learn the theory and methods of health data science in a dynamic, interdisciplinary environment and develop rigorous methodology, research, and analytical skills