



Vanderbilt University School of Medicine's Department of Health Policy seeks an innovative, experienced individual committed to excellence in teaching and learning to direct our Master of Public Health (MPH) program.

Our MPH program was established in 1996 in the School of Medicine and has graduated over 300 students to date. The two-year program offers three track concentrations: Epidemiology, Global Health, and Health Policy; participates in several dual degree programs including the MD/MPH, and currently has 55 enrolled students. The program has excellent and diverse faculty and mentors with appointments in departments across Vanderbilt University and Vanderbilt University Medical Center (VUMC) including Health Policy, Medicine, Pediatrics, Surgery, Biostatistics, Bioinformatics, and Human & Organizational Development. The combination of a major research university and preeminent medical center gives MPH students incredible opportunities to learn from and build relationships with frontline care providers and policymakers. The MPH program and the 23 faculty in the Department of Health Policy benefit from Vanderbilt and VUMC's shared campus, the depth and breadth of health-related research conducted here, and its location in the state capital.

Reporting to the Chair of the Department of Health Policy and the Senior Associate Dean for Health Sciences Education, the MPH director will assume overall leadership of the program. The director will manage and coordinate the activities that support student recruitment, admission, retention, career development, and alumni engagement, as well as oversee selection of faculty for teaching and mentoring and engage diverse primary and secondary faculty. The new director will guide implementation of the strategic plan, lead and manage continuing accreditation through the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH), and maintain active relationships with ASPPH and with local and regional public health partners.

As a faculty member with an appointment in the Department of Health Policy, the director will perform all roles and responsibilities associated with a full-time faculty appointment, including teaching, scholarship and service to the Department, School, and Institution. (The appointment may be primary or secondary, depending on the clinical portfolio of the applicant.) It is expected that the new director will also engage in scholarly activities appropriate to their

discipline including publishing, presenting at national, regional, and local conferences, conducting research and/or grant writing and related activities.

Additional responsibilities include:

- Participate in collaborative leadership with faculty track directors and facilitate accomplishment of program goals and objectives
- Oversee the activities of multiple MPH program committees and assure a process for development, review and implementation of action items with the leadership team and staff
- Support public health workforce development and support ongoing, collaborative relationships with local public health agencies
- Develop, implement, and assess curricula
- Prepare and oversee the annual budget

Qualified Candidates Must Possess:

- Education:
 - Doctorate in public health or related field or MD or equivalent clinical degree with public health training
- Experience:
 - Self-study preparation and knowledge of CEPH accreditation criteria
 - Program assessment and evaluation
 - Teaching public health related topics at the graduate level
- Evidence of:
 - Excellent administrative/organizational abilities
 - Broad understanding of the field of public health and program review participation
 - Outstanding oral and written communication skills
 - Innovation, leadership, and application of best practices in public health
 - Public health related scholarship, grant writing, and evidence of ability to attract external funding for research
- Preferred qualities:
 - National reputation in epidemiology, health policy or global health
 - Experience launching and/or leading graduate programs
 - Engagement with local, regional, and national public health professionals

Application instructions: Application deadline 2/15/20

Successful applicants must be excited to work within a growing department to develop educational and research programs in a collegial and collaborative environment. The Department places a priority on recruiting faculty from underrepresented groups.

The following items are required in your application:

- Cover letter of interest describing how you meet the criteria above and presenting a vision for elevating the national reputation of the Vanderbilt MPH program

- Full academic CV/resume
- Manuscript that exemplifies the type of research you plan to conduct in the future
- Names of and contact information for three confidential references

Please send your completed application directly to healthpolicychair@vumc.org.

Salary will be highly competitive and commensurate with experience. Priority will be given to applications received by February 15th, with an anticipated start date early in the 2020-2021 academic year.

More about the MPH program and the Department of Health Policy can be found on our website, www.vumc.org/health-policy/.

Please contact suzanne.alexander@vumc.org for more information.

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