About the Program

The 54-credit MSCM program prepares students as skilled Advanced Community Medicine Practitioners to work in community clinics, Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), public health departments, healthcare systems, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), and industries that serve those communities. Students will obtain specific mastery in healthcare problem identification, healthcare problem response, and healthcare systems management. Day and evening courses available.

In the first year, students take courses to build the foundation of their knowledge. All students will be expected to achieve competency in four basic sciences: human bioscience, behavioral science, analytic science, and contextual science.

In the second year, students apply their mastered knowledge to real-life experiences. Students choose from two elective tracks to engage in-depth within community medicine practice, and spend a full semester on each rotation. To graduate, each student is required to complete a capstone project. Students will also obtain applied skills specific to the practice of community medicine: clinical communication skills, community health skills, consumer skills, and leadership skills.

Differences Between a Master of Public Health and a Master of Science in Community Medicine

- A Master of Public Health is a broad, general public health graduate degree that prepares public health professionals to work in a wide range of public health and community settings, and whose general purpose is to improve health.

- KGI’s Master of Science in Community Medicine is a focused, skills- and knowledge-based graduate degree that prepares leaders and practitioners who work in underserved and underrepresented communities to decrease demand for medical care services by empowering communities to improve health and prevent disease and illness.
What can I do with this degree?

### Top Potential Occupations

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### Habits of mind and hearts

Throughout the MSCM program, students will gain the necessary understanding and build the essential habits of mind and heart of the Advance Community Medicine Practitioner.

**Habits of mind and heart include:**

- Critical thinking
- Communications
- Creative problem solving
- Interpersonal skills
- Decency
- Resilience
- Maturity

### How to Apply

#### Dates and Deadlines

- **Start Terms:** Fall
- **Application Deadline:** April 30

#### Application Requirements

An online application form is required that contains questions about your personal and educational background. Additional requirements can be submitted along with your online application or separately:

- Personal Statement
- Resume
- Letter of Recommendation
- Transcripts
- $75 non-refundable application fee

#### Admission Interviews

A phone, Skype, Zoom, or on-campus interview is a requirement for admission. The Office of Admissions schedules individual interviews after an application is complete.

#### Application Review

The Admissions Committee is made up of faculty and senior administrators who will thoroughly and conscientiously review each application.

#### Admitted Students

Admitted students are required to submit a $250 non-refundable enrollment fee to hold their spot in the program.

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