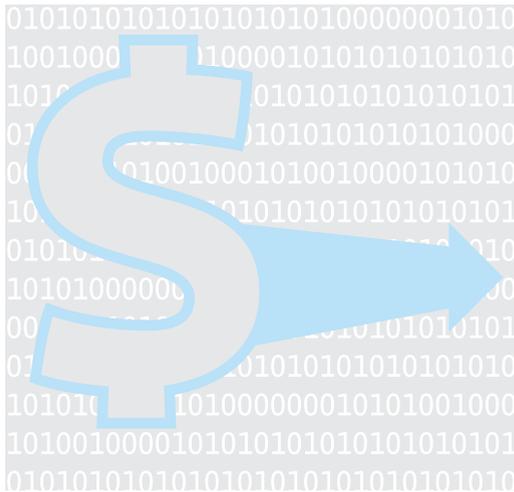


Health Policy + Administration

Public Health Administrators play a critical role in the field of public health. They combine their knowledge of politics, business, health and science to manage the programs or agencies they lead. Public health administrators assess disease burden, and use government regulations and human and financial resources, as guidelines for developing programs, policies, and practices to improve the health of the populations they serve.

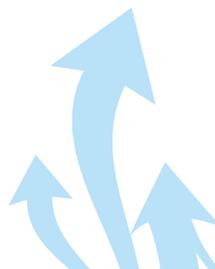
Health care administrators might oversee hiring and recruitment, planning and budget development for a health department, work with a state agency to shape health care policies, or build a database to manage data and information. Some health policies addressed could be on health care reform, insurance for low-income and uninsured populations, AIDS reform or hospice care.



DID YOU KNOW?



Health policy is largely shaped by public opinion! By raising awareness of the negative effects of smoking and second-hand smoke, you have the power to affect policy by establishing “smoke-free” businesses in your community!



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Specialization

public health law and ethics, human resources, budgeting and financing, marketing and communications, public health program development, health information management, geographic information systems (GIS), performance measurement improvement, community partnerships and more

Work Environment

Local, state, and federal health agencies, universities, research institutions, hospitals and health systems, major health organizations, armed forces and much more

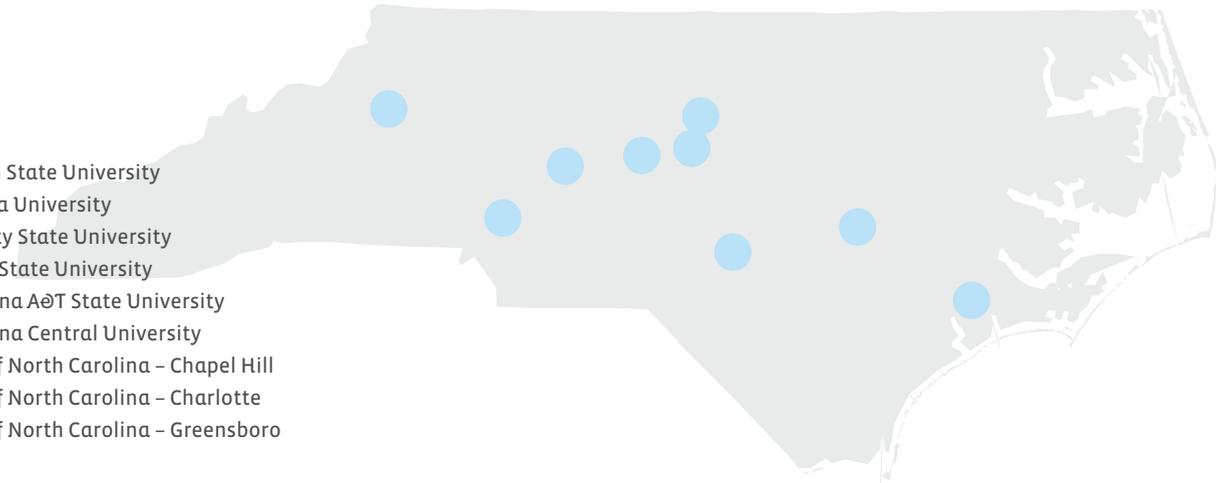
Education Requirements

Most typically, a minimum of a bachelor's degree is required, preferably in business, health policy and administration, or a related field. A graduate degree in hospital, health or business administration, or public health, is highly encouraged. Other recommended backgrounds include health care practitioners such as physicians, nurses, or others who have received added training or experience.

Potential Career Opportunities

Professor | Policy Maker | Local or State Health Director | Public Health Lawyer
Community Outreach Director | Public Health Program Manager / Administrator
Community Political Organizer

Where can I go to study Health Policy + Administration?

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- Appalachian State University
 - East Carolina University
 - Elizabeth City State University
 - Fayetteville State University
 - North Carolina A&T State University
 - North Carolina Central University
 - University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill
 - University of North Carolina – Charlotte
 - University of North Carolina – Greensboro