At the Brown University School of Public Health, students learn public health by doing public health. This mission motivates our four academic departments and 11 nationally-renowned research centers and institutes. We are constantly expanding, and attract $50 million in annual external research funding that supports our more than 200 faculty and 275 undergraduate and graduate students. Our faculty are dedicated to training innovative researchers and scholars who can collect, analyze, and apply data that informs public policy and scientific inquiry. We also embrace Brown University's ethos of service to others. Graduates from our programs go on to fulfilling careers in education, service, policy, and practice in the fields of public health. Our work impacts populations and communities both locally and globally, and has the potential to improve the health and well-being of millions.

Distinctly Brown
Brown welcomes and challenges independent, creative, diverse, and courageous thinkers to collaborate, innovate, and explore with life-changing and world-changing impact. Brown serves the community and the world through ideas, passion, and constructive irreverence that lead to lives of purpose and positive consequence.

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About Epidemiology at Brown

Our vibrant community of science, learning, and practice includes 50 world-class faculty, multiple degree programs, and a diverse range of internationally-recognized research. Drawing upon Brown’s commitment to innovative approaches to education, our department combines the best of traditional epidemiologic methods along with creative new cross-disciplinary activities.

Major areas of research activity include cardiovascular disease; environmental epidemiology; global/international health; health services; infectious disease; pediatric and perinatal epidemiology; molecular and genetic epidemiology; nutrition, metabolism, and physical activity; psychiatric epidemiology; quantitative methods; and social and behavioral determinants of health.

Degrees Offered

**Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)**

**Master of Science (ScM)**

Requirements for Admission

Students entering our PhD program come from diverse academic backgrounds. However, command of a basic body of epidemiologic knowledge is needed to access both courses and the scientific literature. Many students admitted directly to the PhD track will already possess a master’s degree, but this is not a requirement.

The master’s program is designed to provide advanced training in the underlying principles and practice of epidemiology for students with little or no prior graduate-level training. We do not require a specific type of undergraduate degree, and indeed we encourage applications from students with a variety of academic backgrounds.

For both programs, results from a recent GRE (within five years) are required. Subject test scores can be submitted but are not required. Other standardized tests (e.g. MCAT, LSAT) may not substitute for the GRE. TOEFL scores are required for students whose native language is not English, but may be waived for those who hold a bachelor’s or master’s degree from a US institution.

- Master’s applications are due February 15 for fall semester admission.
  
  Doctoral applications are due December 15 for fall semester admission. [http://www.brown.edu/academics/gradschool/apply](http://www.brown.edu/academics/gradschool/apply)

- Course Offerings link: [bulletin.brown.edu/public-health/#courseinventory](http://bulletin.brown.edu/public-health/#courseinventory)


“The small size of the faculty has the obvious benefit of more personal attention. There is the flexibility to incorporate the latest models, as opposed to reserving them for higher level electives later in our training.”

NINA JOYCE

PhD student in Epidemiology

Nina joined the PhD program after four years as a clinical research coordinator for an emergency medicine department. Having learned the structure of health claims from a clinical perspective, her research has focused on using large health claims databases to study patterns of health utilization and disease. She was awarded a highly competitive predoctoral dissertation grant from the American Heart Association.