

Establishment of Doctoral Program in Public Health (April 2019)

St. Luke's International University applied to the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology to offer a doctoral program in Public Health, which has been approved as of August 31, 2018 (Friday).

The Graduate School of Public Health at St. Luke's International University was established in April 2017 with the aim of nurturing highly skilled specialists who can contribute to the maintenance and promotion of human health and well-being. The addition of a doctoral program was considered imperative, firstly to develop faculty who can support post-graduate level education in this field, and secondly to train human resources with highly advanced research skills. Graduates of the doctoral program will take the lead in scientific analysis and assessment of the myriad newly emerging challenges to public health globally, and will apply their research to public health policy and practice. The Graduate School of Public Health, where MPH graduates have been fostered, thus becomes an independent Graduate School of Public Health with an integrated system of higher education.

[Overview]

- Name: Doctoral Program in Public Health
- Degree conferred: Doctor of Public Health (DrPH)
- Commencement date: April 2019
- Enrollment: 3 students
- Duration: 3 years
- Number of units for graduation: 36 units
- Language: English

[Key Concepts]

- Focuses on epidemiology/biostatistics, teaching fundamental and important disciplines for evidence-based analytical skills in the broad field of medicine and healthcare.
- The medium of instruction is English
- The only course of its kind in Japan that meets global standards, since it adheres to the criteria for the Doctor in Public Health program set by the American Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH)
- Practical training is mainly performed at St. Luke's International Hospital, with its advanced facilities for research in clinical epidemiology and other clinical research fields. St. Luke's International Hospital is a national leader in assessing and improving the quality of medical services and healthcare.



[Degree Requirement]

The requirements for the award of a degree are university attendance for at least 3 years, completion of a total of 36 course units and successfully passing the doctoral thesis.

[Courses]

- Advanced Epidemiology
- Advanced Epidemiology Practicum
- DrPH Seminar
- Advanced Biostatistics
- Advanced Biostatistics Practicum
- Meta-analysis in Clinical Medicine and Public Health
- Longitudinal Data Analysis
- Survival Analysis
- Strategies in Academic Writing
- Environmental Epidemiology
- Survey Research in Public Health
- Infectious Disease Modeling
- Economic evaluation in healthcare

[Tuition]

Admission Fee: 400,000JPY
Tuition per year: 1,200,000JPY
Facility Maintenance Fee per year: 300,000JPY

[Eligibility]

All candidates must meet both of the following conditions

- A Master of Public Health (MPH) or its equivalent AND
- At least 3 years of full-time experience in public health or in a relevant discipline.



[Entrance Examination Information]

Number of Students to be Admitted 3

Application Period January 8 (Tue) – January 25(Fri), 2019

(Application documents must arrive by Jan 25)

Admission Examination February 9 (Sat), 2019
Notification of Examination Results February 15 (Fri), 2019

[Application Documents]

(1) Application Form

Statement of Purpose

Summary of Master's Thesis, Capstone Project, or Research Conducted in Master Program (200 - 300 words)

Research Proposal (300 - 500 words)

- (2) Two or more Letters of Recommendation (in Japanese or English)
- (3) Official Academic Transcript
- (4) Certificate of Completion / Graduation of past degrees
- (5) Proof of English Proficiency
 - TOEFL (iBT) ≥80, TOEIC ≥800, IELTS ≥6.0
 (Taken within 3years from the date of filing)
 (Waiver for graduates of English-based programs)
- * Forms 1) and 2) are available from the GSPH website.

[Application Fee]

40,000 JPY

* The details are subject to change.

If you need further information, please make contact with the administrative office.

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