

**Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences**  
**Karnataka, Bangalore**



**MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (Honours) Course**  
**Information Brochure**

**Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Public Health**  
**and Centre for Disease Control**

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### **About Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences (RGUHS)**

The Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences was established in 1996 under an act of legislation by the Government of Karnataka. The University has been approved by University Grants Commission (UGC), and is a self-contained state university. It is a member of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU).

The University promotes and imparts higher education in health sciences in the state of Karnataka. About 625 colleges providing graduate and postgraduate education in Medical, Dental, Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani, Naturopathy, Homoeopathy, Nursing, Pharmacy, Physiotherapy and allied health sciences in the state are affiliated to RGUHS.

### **About Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Public Health and Centre for Disease Control (RGIPH & CDC)**

The RGUHS established the Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Public Health and the Centre for Disease Control in July, 2013 as its renewed commitment towards strengthening public health capacity and system development in the state, country and region.

An advisory committee headed by Dr.S.Chandrashekar Shetty, former Vice-Chancellor of RGUHS facilitates the smooth functioning of the institute.

Presently, the institute is located in the annex building of the University and has an approved plan for its own campus to be built on most modern lines at Bhimanakuppe, near Kengeri about 20 KM from Bangalore.

### **About Master of Public Health (Honours) [MPH (Hons.)] course**

The University launched a postgraduate degree course - Master of Public Health-(Honours) in the academic year 2014-15, to contribute to the pool of public health practitioners, teachers and researchers. This new honours course is innovative and the course design is unique. The course follows semester system and curriculum is competency based. The assessment will be continuous (formative) with sessional tests, quizzes, presentations, open book tests, case studies, critical reading of journals & term end examination.

The course covers new areas such as values in public health, leadership and governance, universal health policy, ecological sensitivity, plural health systems, disaster preparedness and international & global health with a rights and social determinants perspective. The course uses diverse range of teaching -learning experiences and activities which includes focus on higher cognitive and communication skill development, case studies, field visits, postings to institutions

and programmes, and more specifically and specially a period of internship within the course framework.

Participants will be offered two electives-the first one will be research based (quantitative or qualitative) and the second one will be advanced options in areas covered by the curriculum.

The classes for the first batch of the course commenced on 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2014 , the second batch on 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2015 and the third batch is due from July, 2016.

### **Recognition/Approval of the course**

The course is approved by the University Grants Commission (UGC), Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, New Delhi. However, this course is not recognized by the apex regulatory bodies i.e. Medical Council of India, Dental Council of India, Indian Nursing Council, and Central Councils of Indian Medicine & Homoeopathy.

### **Duration of the course**

The course is of three years duration consisting of six semesters which includes six weeks of compulsory internship in the final semester.

### **Number of seats/admissions per year & Commencement of the course**

Ten seats per year. The course commences from 1<sup>st</sup> July of each year.

### **Eligibility for admission**

The candidate must have a degree i.e., MBBS or BDS or BAMS or BHMS or BUMS or BYNS or BSc (Nursing) or BPT from a university established under law and recognized by respective councils of India (Medical, Dental, AYUSH, and Nursing) where applicable.

Or

Equivalent qualification recognized by Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences (RGUHS), Karnataka and the respective regulatory bodies/ councils.

### **Criteria for admission**

Admission is on merit which is based on the performance in the entrance test conducted by the RGUHS.

### **Programme structure and content**

The broad areas of study/programme are outlined below.

SI No	Program	Credits	SI No	Program	Credits
	<b>Compulsory</b>			<b>Compulsory</b>	
1.	Foundation Course I and II	15	14.	Woman, Child and Adolescent Health	5
2.	Value Orientation in Public Health	5	15.	Public Health Laws, Ethics and Human Rights	5
3.	Research I and II	10	16.	Plural Health Systems	5
4.	Socio-Cultural and Community Health	10	17.	International and Global Health	10
5.	Public Health System	10	18.	Disaster Preparedness and Response	5
6.	Public Health Management	10	19.	Internship	10
7.	Public Health Nutrition	5	20.	Dissertation	30
8.	Public Health Capacity Building	10	<b>Electives</b>		
9.	Leadership and Governance	5	21.	Quantitative Research Methods	5
10.	Universal Health Policy	5	22.	Qualitative Research Methods	5
11.	Ecological Sensitivity	5	23.	Advanced Public Health Management	5
12.	Communicable Diseases	5	24.	Advanced Public Health Systems	5
13.	Non Communicable Diseases	5	25.	Advanced Occupational Health	5
			26.	Advanced Public health Nutrition	5

**Note: 5 credits equals 3 weeks (99 hours) of learning activity.**

### **Fee structure**

A total sum of INR. 49,200/- [Indian rupees forty nine thousand and two hundred] is presently the fees payable by the student per year.

### **Stipend**

The candidates who do not get salary/stipend/fellowship, etc., from any other sources will be considered for payment of a monthly stipend of INR 20,000/- (Rupees twenty thousand) subject to satisfactory academic progress.

### **Core faculty**

- 1. Dr.M.K.Sudarshan.** MBBS, MD (BHU), FAMS, Hon.FFPH(UK)  
Professor and Head
- 2. Dr.Pallavi. S.U.** MBBS,MD,DNB  
Associate Professor
- 3. Dr.Himanshu.M.** MBBS, MMS (International Health) ,Sweden.  
Assistant Professor
- 4. Dr. Shilpa G.R.** BDS,MPH(Australia)  
Lecturer

### **Guest faculty**

This consists of an approved panel of senior professionals with expertise in an area of specialization and from reputed and premier institutions who are invited for specific courses/programs.

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