



## B.S. Public Health Sciences

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# **4+1 Program (B.S. + M.S. Degree) in Environmental Health Sciences**

The Public Health Sciences major at the University of Massachusetts Amherst offers a 4+1 B.S./M.S. degree in Environmental Health Sciences to eligible undergraduates. The program is rigorous and demanding and is designed to offer high achieving students with a quick path to a terminal graduate degree. Students graduating from the program will have both a B.S. and an M.S. degree.

### **Eligibility**

- Students interested in the 4+1 apply during their junior year;
- Students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or higher;
- Students must complete a minimum of **96 credits** by the end of their junior year;
- Students are required to take 2 graduate courses for each semester of senior year;
- Application to the 4+1 program does not entitle the student to enter the MPH program directly. As a senior, the student will still have to apply formally to the graduate school and comply with all application requirements as usual.
- *This program is also open to non-Public Health majors AND students from the Five College Consortium.*

### **Application Process**

- Application, unofficial transcript, and two letters of recommendation are required. Letters of recommendation should come from faculty or an internship/work supervisor. Applications are due **January 15th**. Final decisions will be made by March 1<sup>st</sup> and students notified by email.

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## ***Application***

There are four parts to the application. Please **type** all of your answers. Completed applications submitted using the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/ypa6a5xf>.

### **PART ONE: Fill in the information below**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Spire ID: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Major (s): \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

In not from UMass, which school are you currently attending? \_\_\_\_\_

### **PART TWO: Unofficial Transcript**

- Please attach a current unofficial transcript with your application as well as a copy of your most current Academic Requirements Report and send to the EHS 4+1 Admissions Committee at the address below.

### **PART THREE: Letters of Recommendation**

- Have two letters of recommendation submitted to (letters from those who can speak to your academic abilities are preferred):
  - EHS 4+1 Admissions Committee
  - Undergraduate Program Director
  - 307 Arnold House
  - 715 North Pleasant St.
  - Amherst, MA 01003
  - Submission Website: <https://tinyurl.com/ypa6a5xf>
- ★ Letters should be submitted to the submission website from the writer in a PDF format.
- ★ The PDF name should follow the following format: “Applicant\_Last\_Name, Applicant\_First\_Name, Program, Recommendation.pdf”
  - i.e. “Doe, Jane, EHS Recommendation.pdf”

### **PART FOUR: Personal Statement**

- A personal statement in which you discuss your academic interests, career goals, the reasons why you wish to pursue the 4+1 B.S./M.S. in Public Health Science/EHS, which focus area you’re considering and the courses you’re taking to fulfill that area, and any other information you wish considered in the review of your application.
  - ★ Suggestion: Essay should be double-spaced and no more than 5 pages long.