

## Where do public health veterinarians work?

Public health veterinarians serve their communities by working with local, regional, national and international health organizations in both public and private institutions. Some examples include:

### Government agencies

- State and local health departments
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Food and Drug Administration

### Uniformed services

- U.S. Army and Air Force
- U.S. Public Health Service

### International organizations

- Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- World Organization for Animal Health (OIE)
- World Health Organization (WHO)

### Non-governmental organizations

- Veterinarians Without Borders
- Heifer International

### Industry

- Pharmaceutical and medical device companies
- Multinational food companies
- Private epidemiological research companies



The UGA College of Veterinary Medicine, founded in 1946, is dedicated to training future veterinarians, to conducting research related to animal and human diseases, and to providing veterinary services for animals and their owners. Research efforts are aimed at enhancing the quality of life for animals and people, improving the productivity of poultry and livestock, and preserving a healthy interface between wildlife and people in the environment they share. The college enrolls 102 students each fall out of more than 560 who apply. For more information, see [www.vet.uga.edu](http://www.vet.uga.edu)

The University of Georgia College of Public Health was founded in 2005 with a commitment to protect human health through its teaching, research, and public service. The College was established to expand the availability of affordable public health education and training in Georgia and to increase public health expertise throughout the Southeast, allowing UGA to better address the serious disease and health problems that affect populations around the state, country and world.



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# Veterinarians in Public Health



## Concurrent DVM and MPH degree program



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## Is this dual degree program right for you?

You should consider combining a professional public health degree with a DVM if:

- You are a self-starter and an inquisitive person interested in population health issues.
- You want to have a greater impact on the health of both animals and people.
- You want to expand your long-term career options and opportunities in public practice.



## What do public health veterinarians do?

Veterinarians are uniquely qualified to address important public health issues.

They work in all areas of public health, including epidemiology, environmental health, global health, infectious disease investigation and control, and homeland security.

The education and training veterinarians receive allow them to respond to the myriad of new and emerging zoonotic diseases, and to prevent and control future disease threats.

Veterinarians are experts in the increasingly complex global food system and leaders in public health policy.

## What is the outlook for public health veterinarians?

Public health career opportunities for veterinarians will continue to expand with the rapidly changing demographics of human and animal populations, increasing urbanization, increasing poverty, the expanding technology gap between developed and developing countries, and changes in climate, the environment and land use. These changes will present new opportunities for public-health-trained veterinarians as part of veterinary and human health systems.

## When and how do you get a degree in public health?

The DVM-MPH program is a five-year concurrent Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine and Master of Public Health degree program. The DVM is administered by the UGA College of Veterinary Medicine and the MPH by the UGA College of Public Health.

For an overview of the program and links to application materials, please visit:

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