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Public Health Education in Poland – general overview

Public health education in Poland, following the provisions of the Bologna Process, is offered in a **two-degree system**.

The time requirement to complete bachelor's degree studies (undergraduate education, Bachelor of Art, academic degree I) is 3 years (6 semesters, 180 points of the European Credit Transfer System - ECTS) and graduates obtain a bachelor's degree, while master's degree studies (postgraduate education, Master of Art, academic degree II) take two years (4 semesters, 120 ECTS points).

The Medical University of Warsaw, Poland

The Medical University of Warsaw, Poland, is one of the oldest medical schools in Poland.

For over 50 years it has provided education and training in medicine, pharmacy, and dentistry at undergraduate and postgraduate levels. Nowadays, programs meet the highest international standards of university-level education and are based on the principles of good clinical and pharmaceutical practice. Academic staff of the Medical University of Warsaw are recognized nationally and internationally for their contributions to research and practice in medicine.



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Faculty of Health Sciences of Medical University of Warsaw, Poland

Faculty of Health Sciences is one out of five faculties of Medical University in Warsaw. Faculty of Health Sciences was established in 2000. At present, there is over 3,000 full- and part-time students in first- and second cycle programs at the Faculty of Health Sciences, majoring, among others, in: Nursing, Midwifery, Human Nutrition, Emergency Medicine, and Public Health. It is a modern academic institution with extensive educational offer, highest standards of education, and innovative research. The mission of Faculty of Health Sciences is to achieve the highest education level in medical fields, health science, academic research and in providing specialistic medical services.

Public Health Division, Faculty of Health Sciences of Medical University of Warsaw, Poland

Public Health Division constitutes one of three divisions of the Faculty of Health Sciences (including Nursing Division and Human Nutrition Division). A vast majority of teaching classes take place at the Department of Public Health that comprises four units:

- Department of Public Health
- Department of Cancer Prevention
- Department of the Prevention of Environmental Hazards and Allergology
- Department of Health Economics and Medical Law.

In addition, teaching classes are also run by other selected and specialised research and teaching units of the Faculty of Health Sciences as well as other faculties of the Warsaw Medical University.

The Public Health Division employs over 50 academic teachers who run teaching classes and conduct research in the field of public health as well as in a broad area of health sciences. Most of them are experts in public health and other fields applicable to public health such as medical science (medicine and health science) and social science (law, economics, sociology, social policy and others).

Public Health Division, Faculty of Health Sciences of Medical University of Warsaw, Poland

- **3-year Bachelor (Bachelor of Art) Public Health Programme**
- **2-year Master Public Health Programme**

3-year Bachelor (Bachelor of Art) Public Health Programme

- 3 years
- 36 months
- 6 semesters
- each semester lasts 15 didactic weeks (90 weeks in total)
- 180 ECTS

3-year Bachelor (Bachelor of Art) Public Health Programme

INTEGRATING EXPERIENCE

INTERNSHIP should last for eight weeks in total: four weeks after first year of studies and four weeks after second year of studies, 320 hours in total (10 ECTS), when students participate in scheduled activities in different settings.

DISSERTATION – BACHELOR'S THESIS

FINAL EXAM – DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, BACHELOR'S THESIS DEFENCE

2-year Master (Master of Art) Public Health Programme

- 2 years
- 24 months
- 4 semesters
- each semester lasts 15 didactic weeks (90 weeks in total)
- 120 ECTS

2-year Master Public Health Programme

INTEGRATING EXPERIENCE

INTERNSHIP Internship should last for four weeks, i.e. 160 teaching hours (5 ECTS), when students participate in scheduled activities.

DISSERTATION – MASTER`S THESIS

FINAL EXAM – DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, MASTER'S THESIS DEFENCE

STRENGTHS

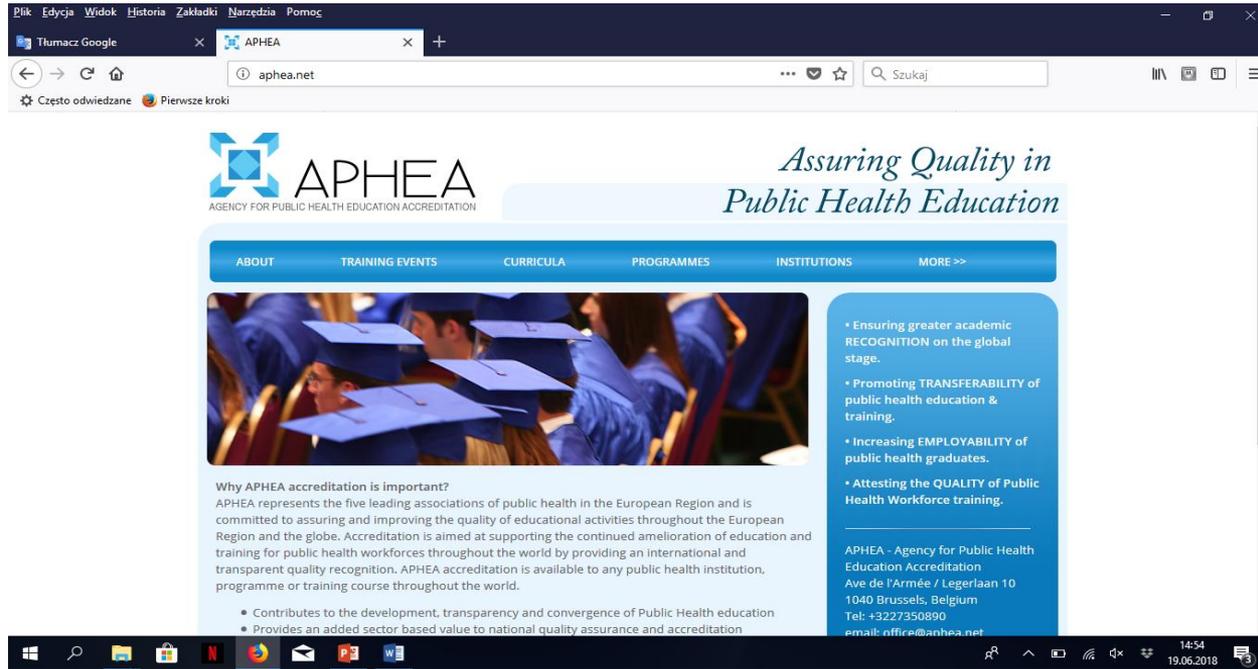
- Scientific activity of academics
- Activity of Public Health Division for the socio-economic environment
- Activity of Public Health Division for the professionalization of public health in Poland
- Participation of Public Health Division, WMU, in strengthening the image of public health and promoting the degree programme in Public Health in Poland
- Research and organisational activity of members of student research societies of Public Health Division, Faculty of Health Sciences, Warsaw Medical University
- Participation of students of Public Health Division, FoHS, WMU in international exchange programmes (e.g. Erasmus+ Programme)
- Strengths-based leadership – pilot public health leadership development programme at the Medical University of Warsaw - a presentation of innovative, didactic method

AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

INTERNATIONALIZATION



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The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the APHEA website. The browser's address bar shows 'aphea.net'. The website header features the APHEA logo and the tagline 'Assuring Quality in Public Health Education'. A navigation menu includes 'ABOUT', 'TRAINING EVENTS', 'CURRICULA', 'PROGRAMMES', 'INSTITUTIONS', and 'MORE >>'. Below the menu is a photograph of graduates in blue caps and gowns. To the right of the photo is a list of bullet points highlighting key benefits of APHEA accreditation. Below the photo is a section titled 'Why APHEA accreditation is important?' with a paragraph of text and a list of bullet points. At the bottom right of the page, contact information for APHEA is provided.

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Attesting the QUALITY of Public Health Workforce training.

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- Contributes to the development, transparency and convergence of Public Health education
- Provides an added sector based value to national quality assurance and accreditation

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