UC BERKELEY-UCSF JOINT MEDICAL PROGRAM

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Degree Offered: MS (UC Berkeley) / MD (UC San Francisco)
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Program Description

The UC Berkeley-UCSF Joint Medical Program (JMP) is a five-year graduate/medical degree program. The pre-clerkship years are spent at UC Berkeley, engaging in a leading-edge integrated problem-based-learning medical curriculum while simultaneously earning a master's degree (MS) in the Health and Medical Sciences at UC Berkeley's School of Public Health. After 2.5 years at UC Berkeley, our students move across the bay to UCSF to finish their medical education and receive their medical doctorate (MD).

Admission Requirements

To apply to the UCB-UCSF Joint Medical Program (JMP), applicants start by:

1. Applying to UCSF via AMCAS
2. Receiving and accepting an invitation for a UCSF secondary application
3. Following the instructions on the UCSF secondary application by checking the JMP box to indicate interest in the JMP
4. Submitting additional JMP-specific application materials as instructed

After checking the JMP box, applicants will be prompted to provide additional JMP-specific materials, including three short essay questions. Only applicants who have checked the JMP box on their UCSF secondary application will be considered for JMP admission.

Learn more about JMP program admissions (https://publichealth.berkeley.edu/admissions/joint-medical-program).

Degree Requirements

JMP Course Requirement Overview

The UC Berkeley-UCSF Joint Medical Program (JMP) is a pioneer in teaching medicine in the broader context of public health and health systems.

The goal of the JMP's curriculum is to train physician "changemakers" who approach medicine with a broad trans-disciplinary understanding of the social and structural determinants of health, health systems, community health, and health equity.

This curriculum will not only support your research but also provide you with a critical perspective of the context in which you will practice medicine.

The following outline describes the course requirements for the JMP curriculum with a minimum of 29 credit units taken for your master's in addition to the medical curriculum.

Core Courses

The first set of course requirements listed below are the courses taken at UC Berkeley during the first 2.5 years of the program.

UC Berkeley Course Catalog guide.berkeley.edu/courses (http://guide.berkeley.edu/courses/)

JMP Master's Curriculum

Code	Title	Units
HMS MS curriculum, minimum 29 units		**Units**
PH 200	This foundational course in Public Health is required for all students in their first semester at the JMP	1
HMEDSCI 261 series: Master's Seminar	There are five master's seminars: 261A (4 units, first semester), 261B (2 units, second semester), 261C (3 units, third semester), 261D (3 units, fourth semester), and 261E (3 units, fifth semester).	15
HMEDSCI 296 and 297	HMS 296 (4 units total) gives students credit for their work with their mentors. HMS 297 (4 units total) is the same, but it refers to summer work (credit given in the following Fall semester).	8
PBHLTH 250A, 250B, or W250	Epidemiology Course, 3 units minimum	3
PBHLTH 224E	Health Care Quality	3
HMEDSCI 217	Critical Perspectives on Medicine and Public Health Praxis	3
Research Methods	One Research Methods course in the methods each student will use for their scholarly work; 2-4 units	3
Content Course	One content course elective in the student's chosen area of scholarship; 2-4 units	3
Total Required Minimum Units		**29**

Note: Biostatistics or an equivalent course is not required, but it is highly recommended for students doing quantitative master's projects.

JMP Medical Curriculum

The following describes the course requirements for the medical component of the JMP curriculum:

Code	Title	Units
HMEDSCI 200	(10 credits X 5 semesters)	50
HMEDSCI 216/220	(4 credits X 5 semesters)	20
Total Units		**70**

After 2.5 years at UC Berkeley, students transition to the UCSF campus to complete their Foundations 2 and Career Launch coursework.