

ECONOMICS - DUAL DEGREE

Economics/Master of Public Health

St. Kate's offers the opportunity to apply a student's liberal arts education in the field of public health through a unique 3+2 dual-degree program in economics/master of public health, global health focus (MPH). The dual-degree program allows students to complete their bachelor's degree while pursuing the MPH degree.

As an economics major, students enrolled in the College for Women will complete the economics pre-public health sequence of courses and supporting work for the MPH program. This includes courses in global health, biology or chemistry, and statistics while providing a special emphasis in economics.

The economics courses focus on the development of analytical abilities and a global perspective. For example, students will talk about the diamond trade and the controversies that surround it, when studying international trade. Students will debate the tradeoffs in how different countries deliver health care in Topics in Healthcare Economics. If students choose to complete the fourth-year coursework prior to applying for the MPH program they will be prepared to work in a variety of areas of the economics discipline.

To enroll in this program, students apply to the MPH program during their junior year. If they are admitted to the MPH program, they receive a B.A. or B.S. in Economics upon completion of the first year of the MPH program. The curriculum for the economics major is listed in the Pre-Professional Programs, Pre-Public health (<http://catalog.stkate.edu/undergraduate/preprofessional-programs/prepublic-health>) section of this catalog.