

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

# Master of Science in Community Medicine

## MSCM

**CSU  
Pipeline  
Program**

Are you a student in the California State University system looking to pursue a career in medicine or healthcare? KGI's two-year, full-time Master of Science in Community Medicine program will prepare you for application to medical school, or to work as a community medicine leader in underserved and underrepresented communities. This online program will guide you to a career devoted to improving health, preventing illness and injury, and detecting treatable medical conditions early enough to avoid premature death and unnecessary poor health.



### ONLINE CLASSES

All courses will be taught online to increase access to the program from anywhere in the country.



### COMMUNITY-BASED LEARNING

You identify an appropriate community setting or select from one provided by the MSCM program to serve as your hands-on learning "laboratory" throughout your two-years.



### JOB READINESS

You will be qualified to work in community medicine immediately, or be prepared to pursue medical school or other advanced healthcare professions.

## About the Program

The 54 credit MSCM program prepares students as skilled community medicine practitioners to work in community clinics, federally qualified health centers, public health departments, healthcare systems, non-governmental organizations, and industries that serve those communities.

In the **first year**, students take courses to build the foundation of their knowledge and complete a capstone learning experience. Based upon whether the student wants to pursue employment following graduation or continue onto medical school, relevant electives will be offered. All students will be expected to achieve competency in four basic sciences: human bioscience, behavioral science, analytic science, and contextual science.

Student complete an additional two foundational courses in the **second year** and apply their mastered knowledge to real-life experiences with a second capstone project. Students will also obtain applied skills specific to the practice of community medicine: clinical skills, community health skills, consumer skills, and leadership skills.

### MSCM is a new opportunity for CSU students to pursue medical school!

- Seeking to provide access to high-quality medical education, KGI and the CSU system are creating a pipeline for qualified CSU graduates to enter the MSCM program. This pipeline will address the healthcare crisis and shortages in physicians and other healthcare workers in California and the United States.
- The MSCM program is tailoring its admissions process to recruit local students who come from the communities with the greatest needs. We will give preference to:
  - First-generation college students from the CSU system
  - CSU students who are dedicated to working in underserved or underrepresented communities

**Want to learn more? Visit [kgi.edu/csu-kgi](http://kgi.edu/csu-kgi)**

## Your path to medical school

Following graduation from the MSCM program, students can begin to work in community medicine immediately, or apply to medical school or other advanced healthcare professions.

For those pursuing medical school, the MSCM program has established—through its Council of Medical School Deans—close links to the following medical schools:

- College of Medicine at Charles R. Drew University
- Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine
- Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine
- Meharry Medical College
- NYU Long Island School of Medicine
- Oregon Health and Science University School of Medicine
- Roseman University College of Medicine
- Texas Christian University and UNT Health Science Center School of Medicine
- University of Kansas School of Medicine

When the KGI School of Medicine begins to enroll students, the pathway will also include acceptance options from the MSCM program into KGI's Doctor of Medicine (MD) program.

## What can I do with my MSCM degree?

Top Potential Occupations	
Entering the workforce directly	After additional professional training
Public health advisor	Physician
Epidemiologist	Physician assistant
Healthcare/medical administrator	Dentist
Healthcare educator	Pharmacist
Health director	Other health professional
Biostatistician	
Environmental scientist	

## How to Apply

### Dates and Deadlines

- **Start Terms:** Fall
- **Application Deadline:** March 15 (priority), July 1 (final)

### Application Requirements

An online application form is required that contains questions about your personal and educational background. Additional requirements can be submitted along with your online application or separately:

- Personal Statement
- Resume
- Letter of Recommendation
- Transcripts
- \$75 non-refundable application fee

**Admission Interviews:** A phone, Skype, or on-campus interview is a requirement for admission. The Office of Admissions schedules individual interviews after an application is complete.

**Application Review:** The Admissions Committee is made up of faculty and senior administrators who will thoroughly and conscientiously review each application.

**Admitted Students:** Admitted students are required to submit a \$250 non-refundable enrollment fee to hold their spot in the program.

**Tuition:** MSCM is a brand new program on the cutting edge of community medicine. Therefore, the first cohort will receive full tuition waivers, and in turn, will help to shape the program and curriculum for future cohorts.

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