The mission of the PhD Program in Health Services is to train the next generation of health services researchers and to prepare them to provide leadership in the field. The program is designed to prepare graduates for research careers in universities, research and policy-making organizations, the health care industry, and government agencies. In recognition of the complex issues facing health care today and tomorrow, our program is committed to training students who will contribute to the public health of the population by producing high quality research on important topics and translating the results to practice and policy.

### Highlights
The PhD Program in Health Services consistently ranks among the best. Our curriculum is exceptional in the strength of our required courses in research methods, health care systems, health policy research, and the social determinants of health. We offer a variety of areas of emphasis, and students have access to numerous research opportunities at the UW and at nationally recognized local research centers. The goal of our program is to match each incoming student with funding and strong mentorship. Students complete the program in about 4 years, and are consistently employed at graduation. Alumni from our program have received numerous grants and awards, and remain actively involved in the program.

### Degrees and/or Certificates Offered
PhD: 4-year, in-residence, full-time program with areas of emphasis in:
- Evaluative Sciences & Statistics
- Health Behavior and Social Determinants of Health
- Health Economics
- Health Systems Research
- Occupational Health
More information on areas of emphasis: http://depts.washington.edu/hservphd/emphasis

### Applicant Qualifications
Our program generally admits 6-7 students per year, from an annual average of 66 applicants. Admission priority is given to applicants with high academic standing, generally with GRE scores in or above the 80th percentile, a graduate GPA of 3.7 or higher, and an undergraduate GPA of 3.5 or higher. Applicants who have a bachelor, master, or professional degree in a field related to health services and public health (e.g., epidemiology, health services, biostatistics, health economics and other social behavioral sciences) are usually particularly competitive. Applicants selected for admission are committed to scholarship and show potential for success in health services research and policy.

### Academic/Professional Opportunities
Graduates of our PhD program have pursued prestigious and rewarding careers in a variety of arenas, including academia, research institutions, the private sector, government, and clinical settings. Common job titles include Professor, Research Scientist, Director of Research, Consultant, and Statistical Analyst.

### Admissions
Applications may be submitted online at: www.grad.washington.edu/applForAdmiss. Applicants submit a Statement of Purpose, GRE scores, three recommendation letters, a CV, and transcripts. International applicants may need to submit TOEFL scores.

### Application Deadline
**Autumn Quarter Entry:** The deadline for application to the program is December 15.