



GILLINGS SCHOOL OF  
GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH

Master of Public Health  
MPH in Environmental  
Health Solutions  
New Student Orientation  
2022 Schedule

Register for the school-wide sessions/events here: <https://tinyurl.com/y6fo8erw>

Orientation is an exciting and important start to your experience as a student at Gillings. All new students are expected to attend and actively participate in all sessions. Please note that these are the only time orientation sessions will occur, and you are highly encouraged to attend all in-person/online synchronous sessions.

**\*Denotes required session for all new students.**

DAY ONE: TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

12:00pm  
(online synchronous)  
For all new students

**\*School-wide Welcome:** Gillings Dean, Academic Affairs, Inclusive Excellence and Student Government representatives

12:30-1:00pm  
(online synchronous)  
For all new students

**\*School-wide Resources and Services:** Student success and support, career services, global resources, and financial resources

2:00-4:00pm  
(online synchronous)  
For all new students

**\*Master of Public Health Sessions (for all concentrations):** Welcome to the MPH, degree requirements/timeline, MPH core overview, MPH practicum overview, academic advising and course registration information

DAY TWO: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

10:00am-3:00pm  
UNC Friday Center  
For all new students

[The Graduate School at UNC Chapel Hill New Student Orientation](#)

3:00pm-5:00pm

[University Office of International Student & Scholar Services New International Graduate Student Welcome](#)

DAY THREE: THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

9:00am - 12:00pm  
Rosenau Hall 228

**Environmental Health Solutions Concentration**

9:00 - 9:25 am – **Introductions & Icebreaker**

9:25 - 9:40 am – **Welcome to ESE** (Barbara Turpin)

9:40 - 9:45 am – **Hello from Academic Coordinator** (Adia Ware)

9:45 - 10:00 am – **EHS MPH Program overview** (Courtney Woods)

10:00 - 10:30 am – **Welcome from ESE Faculty**

10:30- 10:45 am – **Cohort Photo & Break**

10:45 - 11:10 am – **Student Panel** (ENVRSO, Climate Alliance, MSC)

11:10 - 11:40 am – **Closed Session with Current EHS Students** (2<sup>nd</sup> year students)

NOTE: **Faculty Mentors arrive at 228 to meet their students for lunch.** Lunch with mentors will take place outside in the McGavran-Greenberg Courtyard from 12-1pm. Boxed lunches will be provided to all new students attending in-person departmental program sessions.

5:00-6:30pm

**Building Community Event: Meet and Greet for New Students of Color**

*If you have questions about this event, please contact Trinnette Cooper, coordinator, manager of inclusive excellence and outreach, at [sph\\_inclusive\\_excellence@unc.edu](mailto:sph_inclusive_excellence@unc.edu)*

**DAY FOUR: FRIDAY, AUGUST 12**

3:00pm-5:00pm

*FedEx Global  
Education Center*

**\*[University Office of International Student and Scholar Services New International Graduate Student Orientation and Reception](#) (required for all new international students)**

**DAY FIVE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 13**

**Gillings Day of Service:** Volunteer with other Gillings students! You will be matched with a participating local site for the morning. More information:

<https://sph.unc.edu/students/schoolwide-welcome/>

**ADDITIONAL ORIENTATION REQUIREMENTS/INFORMATION:**

**\*Inclusive Excellence Training (For all new students):** Four asynchronous/pre-recorded video sessions will be available for you to watch/review in preparation to attend and participate in an online synchronous discussion session. There are a selection of dates/times for the discussion sessions and your participation is required.

**Gillings International Student Welcome:** All new international students are invited to join us outside of the main doors of Michael Hooker Research Center under the tent on August 16 from 8:30-9:30am.

**T-shirt Days:** Pick up your Gillings t-shirt **August 10-12, 11am-1pm**, Michael Hooker Research Center Atrium.

**\*\*Lunch:** A boxed lunch will be provided to all new students attending in-person departmental program or concentration sessions on August 11 or 12; seating is available outdoors, atriiums, and within classrooms; 12:00-1:00pm in the Michael Hooker Research Center Atrium.

**For more information, visit:** <https://sph.unc.edu/students/schoolwide-welcome/>