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# Behavioral and Social Science Approach to Public Health Standalone Course with Graduate Credits

**August 07– November 27, 2026 | 2:00 - 5:00 pm | Every Friday**

The Master of Science in Public Health (MSPH) Programme is pleased to announce the standalone course scheduled for August – November 2026. This course is part of the programme curriculum but can also be taken without enrolling in a degree programme. Course credits can contribute towards a master's degree.

## Course Description

### Why do people make the health choices they do, and how can you change them?

Behavior isn't shaped by willpower alone. Culture, environment, social norms, and policy all play a role, and this course gives you the lens to see them and the tools to act on them.

You'll learn the key theories, models, and methods public health professionals use to plan, implement, and evaluate health programs and policies, examining health challenges through an ecological lens that looks beyond the individual to the systems around them.

Through interactive sessions, case discussions, and a hands-on field visit, you'll apply these concepts to real local public health issues, covering social determinants of health, behavior change theories, community empowerment, and policy-level interventions.

**Whether you're building a career in public health or sharpening your ability to design behavior-driven strategies, this course equips you with practical tools to create impact at the community and policy level.**

## Course credits can contribute towards a master's degree:

Candidates who will achieve a cGPA of 3.5 or above after completing two courses or a cGPA of 3.0 or above after completing three courses are exempted from writing the Admission Test. They will be required to appear for an interview. The courses are valid for three years only for entry into the MSPH programme.

## Important Information:

Submit the form via e-mail by Friday, July 10, 2026, at [visiting.application@aku.edu](mailto:visiting.application@aku.edu) along with the following as a PDF file:

- Completed and signed application form along with a photograph
- Attested copy of degree and marks sheet of sixteen years of schooling in the relevant field as mentioned in the criteria.
- Attested copy of CNIC / Passport
- Attested copy of work experience letter

Interested candidates are encouraged to ensure their applications are duly completed, as incomplete applications will not be processed.

AKU may request additional documentation or an equivalence certificate to clarify your qualification.

**Course Director:**  
**Dr. Muhammad Asim**

**Course fee: PKR 117,000**  
**Register by: July 10, 2026**

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