The Department of Environmental & Occupational Health Sciences at the University of Washington builds healthy communities and safe workplaces by:

- **Educating** the students who will be tomorrow's health and safety leaders.
- **Researching** how environmental and workplace factors affect health.
- **Serving** workers, employers and health and safety professionals with evidence-based health solutions.

**Our goal:** Sustainable communities where everyone has access to clean air, clean water, safe food and safe workplaces.

**FAST FACTS**

- 5th in the world for environmental and occupational health programs
- Nationally accredited undergraduate and graduate programs
- Part of top-ranked School of Public Health at the University of Washington

**EDUCATION**

- **256 degrees granted**
  - 117 bachelor’s degrees
  - 98 master’s degrees
  - 41 doctoral degrees

Undergraduate and graduate degrees offered in Environmental Health, Toxicology, Occupational Hygiene, Occupational and Environmental Medicine, Environmental and Occupational Health, Exposure Science and One Health.

- **146 faculty**
  - Nationally recognized experts in their fields:
    - 30 primary
    - 5 joint
    - 111 auxiliary

- **Up to 400 hours** of work experience through student internships at the local, state and national levels.

- **97 percent** of supervisors would hire their student intern again.

Employers include federal and state agencies; county and local public health departments; private companies such as Amazon and Boeing; and consulting firms.

**Our students**

- 63% Washington state residents
- 66% women
- 19% underrepresented minorities
- 7% international students

*Data from 2015-2020*
RESEARCH

Our research focuses on people and communities most at risk for adverse health outcomes, including children, the elderly, low-income communities and people of color.

75+

funded research projects and centers that examine how environmental and workplace factors affect people’s health.

$26 million

in annual grant and contract awards for research and training.

Our research expertise:

- COVID-19
- Wildfire smoke
- Worker health and safety.
- Impact of climate change on health.
- Detection and control of infectious diseases and pathogens.
- The links between human, animal and environmental health.
- Health effects of air, water and noise pollution.
- Chemical and biological exposures.
- Safe food and water.

SERVICE

We provide workplace consultations, lab analysis and clinical services to workers and employers in the Pacific Northwest.

2,815

professionals trained through 175 courses offered by our nationally recognized Continuing Education programs.

2,300

samples analyzed in our Environmental Health Lab.

417

patients treated during 1,018 visits to our Occupational and Environmental Medicine Clinic, specializing in work-related injuries and illnesses and preventing worker disabilities.

94

companies provided on-site safety and health consultation services through our Field Research and Consultation Group.

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