

Epidemiologist

■ Job Description

Epidemiologists study the causes and prevention of disease through studies of incidence, distribution, and associations of disease. Population- epidemiological methodology is one of three major methodologies of medical science (along with clinical-pathological and laboratory-experimental). Individuals with graduate degrees may teach, conduct research, develop disease prevention programs, or work as administrators. They are employed by state and national health agencies, medical and public health institutions, regulatory agencies, and business and industry.

■ Projected Need

The growing and aging population will increase the need for scientists skilled in the research and prevention of disease. The rapidly expanding health field will also spur the need for researchers who can provide information to help governments, health agencies, health care providers and communities deal with epidemics.

■ Related Educational Programs

The programs of study listed below are the recommended areas of study to pursue for this occupation. Clicking on these will lead to files that show in-state and national schools that offer these programs.

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