



Graduate Programs in Prevention Science

The links below provide information about Prevention Science graduate programs. The Society for Prevention Research does not endorse any individual programs, and prevention scientists come from many different types of degree programs, including Community Psychology, Public Health, Community Health, Implementation Science, Human Development, Education, and more. We encourage those interested to explore not just the links to Prevention Science programs that we have provided here, but also other, similar graduate programs.

PhD Programs

We have included in this list programs that clearly identify themselves as Prevention Science programs and/or that have all or most of the elements of a Prevention Science curriculum, including:

- **Prevention Science Fundamentals:** Prevention paradigms, school-, family, and community- based programs, Type II translational research, community systems and frameworks for prevention; program planning, implementation, development, and evaluation; risk and resilience frameworks;
- **Developmental Theory:** Individual development in context, lifespan development, family development;
- **Developmental Methods:** Methods and design, multivariate statistics, longitudinal methods.

Some programs also include courses in Implementation Science, Prevention Policy, Community-Based Participatory Research, Diversity, Health Equity, and Health Disparities, Global Prevention Science, Ethical Considerations in Prevention Science, and Grant Writing.

All these programs are focused on the generation of research-based knowledge.

[Colorado State University](#)
[Kent State University](#)
[The Pennsylvania State University](#)
[University of Illinois, Chicago](#)
[University of Miami](#)
[University of Oregon](#)
[Washington State University](#)

MS, Certificate, and Minor Programs

We have included in this list programs that clearly identify themselves as Prevention Science programs and/or that have some of the elements of a Prevention Science curriculum that are listed above, under PhD programs.

Some of these programs are focused on the generation of research-based knowledge, while others are focused on evidence-based practice; some combine both. Because the programs are shorter, none of them address all topics present in the PhD programs, but all identify as Prevention Science programs or clearly emphasize prevention as a core aspect of their program.

[Colorado State University](#)
[Harvard University](#)
[Stanford University](#)
[University of Miami](#)
[University of Minnesota](#)
[University of Oregon](#)
[University of Wisconsin-Madison](#)
[University of Zagreb](#)