

MASTER OF PREVENTION SCIENCE PRACTICE, PLAN C (M.P.S.P.)

The online Master of Prevention Science Practice (<https://www.online.colostate.edu/degrees/prevention-science-practice/>) trains graduates to implement evidence-based prevention programs for use at the community-level in preventing mental, emotional, and behavioral disorders. The course work emphasizes lifespan developmental processes and normative family functioning, as well as theories of prevention science and risk and resilience. Students gain skills such as program planning and evaluation, program administration, grant writing, and technical communication. The curriculum adheres to the Society for Prevention Research's criteria for online Master's programs in Prevention Science. M.P.S.P. graduates are competitive for positions in a variety of health care, social service, or educational agencies with titles such as Social Service Specialist, Social or Community Service Manager, Health Promotion Specialist, Mental Health Consultant, Child Welfare Specialist, Behavior Health Specialist, or Prevention Specialist.

[Students interested in graduate work should refer to the Graduate and Professional Bulletin.](#)

Learning Objectives

Upon successful completion, students will be able to:

1. Examine developmental theory, methods, intervention, and standards of evidence in preventing mental, emotional and behavioral disorders.
2. Practice research-based prevention programs from a family-centered, developmentally appropriate perspective.
3. Explain concepts and practices in prevention science and program evaluation.
4. Select evidence-based prevention programs for greater sustainability of community-based programs.