

Major in Public Health

(No minor or second major required)

The program in public health (reference number 521) leads to the Bachelor of Science degree. The curriculum consists of a core of 40-44 credit hours of course work and either one of two concentrations consisting of 26 to 30 credit hours of course work. Students pursuing this major are required to select one of the following concentrations: environmental health, or public health education.

Core Requirements (40-44 hours) required courses in the core are: BIOL

131, 207, & 208; CHEM 109; MATH 116 or higher; PH 100, SFTY 171, PH 381, 383, 384, 490 or ENV 367; PSY 100; and COMM 145.

Requirements for Seeking Admission (reference number 521P): 24 hours including COMM 145, PH 100 and PSY 100 with an overall GPA of 2.0 or better.

Requirements for Admission (reference number 521): 30 hours including the above courses plus BIOL 131 and CHEM 109 with an overall GPA of 2.3 or better.

Environmental Health Concentration (26 hours)

Required courses for the environmental health concentration are: BIOL 472; ENV 460, 486 & 495; and PH 280 & 385. In Addition, nine hours must be chosen with approval of the academic advisor from the following: BIOL 315; CHEM 314, 330, & 432; ENV 321, 360, 410, 415, 430, 440, & 480; GEOG 474 & 487; GEOL 310, 375 & 487. Students completing this option are prepared for careers as environmental specialists in public health departments; other local, state and national governmental regulatory agencies; and non-governmental agencies.

Public Health Education Concentration (30 hours)

Required courses for the public health education concentration are PH 261, 385, 461, 483, 484 & 485. In addition, 12 hours must be chosen with approval of the academic advisor from the following: HCIS 290; FACS 111; HCA 340; SFTY 270, PH 365, 382, 390, 402, 443, 444, 447, 460, 464, 467 & 468. Students completing this option are prepared for careers as public health educators, health promotion specialists and wellness program directors in public health departments; voluntary and private health agencies; industry; health care facilities; professional health associations; and consulting firms. This program is approved by the Society for Public Health Education and the American Association for Health Education (SOPHE/AAHE). All courses listed above require a minimum grade of "C."

Suggested Program of Study			
Department of Public Health Public Health Major 521 - Environmental Health Concentration			
Freshman Year	Hrs.	Freshman Year	Hrs.
Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
ENG 100 (A)	3	PSY 100 (C)	3
CHHS 175 (Recommended)	3	COMM 145	3
PH 100 (F)	3	MATH 116 (D)	3
General Education Elective (B)	3	General Elective	3
BIOL 131 (D)	4	CHEM 109 (D)	4
Total Hours	16	Total Hours	16
Sophomore Year	Hrs.	Sophomore Year	Hrs.
Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
ENV 280 (D)	3	PH 381	3
BIOL 207/208 (D)	4	ENG 200 (B)	3
Foreign Language Course (A)	3	General Elective (CS 145 Suggested)	3
General Education Elective (B)	3	General Education Elective (C)	3
HIST 119/120 (C)	3	General Elective	3
		SFTY 171 (F)	1
Total Hours	16	Total Hours	16
Junior Year	Hrs.	Junior Year	Hrs.
Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
ENG 300 (A)	3	PH 384	3
PH 385	3	Env. Health Elective	3
PH 383	3	General Education Elective (E)	3
General Elective	3	General Elective	3
General Elective	3	General Elective	3
Total Hours	15	Total Hours	15
Senior Year	Hrs.	Senior Year	Hrs.
Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
ENV 460	3	ENV 486	1
BIOL 472	4	ENV 495	3
Env. Health Elective	3	PH 490	6
General Elective	3		
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Total Hours	16	Total Hours	10
Total Hours: 120			
<i>(A-F) denotes General Education Category</i>			