

Department: Interdisciplinary and Pre-Professional

Minors

As of Fall 2014

Minor Public Health

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The study of public health will combine the social sciences, sciences, mathematics, humanities, and the arts. It will serve as a vehicle for the development of written and oral communication skills, critical and creative thinking, teamwork and problem solving. The public health minor focuses on maintaining a healthy society through the control of disease, education about health promotion and disease prevention, and organized efforts to preserve healthy environments. It will incorporate civic knowledge and commitment – locally, nationally and globally and ethical reasoning and action, forming the foundation for lifelong learning for healthier populations and communities.

To complete the Interdisciplinary Public Health Minor, students must complete a total of 21 credit hours from the courses listed below. All the core courses (8-9 credit hours) must be completed with an additional 12-13 hours from the listed electives. No more than 12 hours from the core and electives courses can be used as duel credit toward the major and minor degree.

Core Requirements (8-9 hours)

BIOL 277. Epidemiology	₫
BIOL 410: Biological and Medical Terminology	2
or NURS 314: Health Care Terminology and Drug Calculations	
NURS 303: Introduction to Public Health	3
or NURS 314: Health Care Terminology and Drug Calculations	3

Elective Courses (12-13 hours)

BIOL 617: Environmental Health
COMM 277: Introduction to Public Relations
COMM 601: Intercultural Communication
EST 101: The Environmental and Safety Industry
EST 215: Introduction to Environmental Compliance
EST 498: Environmental Safety
EST 524: Emergency Planning and Emergency Response
FCS 203: Nutrition and Health
FCS 285: Lifespan Human Development
FCS 480: Dynamics of Family Relationships
FCS 581: Aging and the Family
MATH 143: Elementary Statistics
MGMKT 327: Organizational Theory and Behavior
NURS 265: Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
NURS 405: Health Alterations in Older Adults
NURS 445: Transcultural Health Care1-3
NURS 482: Research in Nursing
PHIL 112: Biomedical Ethics
PSYCH 263: Developmental Psychology
PSYCH 571: Abnormal Psychology
REC 441: Adult Health and Development
SOC 584: Medical Sociology
SWK 342: Health Care and Social Work
SWK 344: Mental Health Theory and Practice

Total hours required for Minor in Public Health (21 hours)

Notes

NOTE: The information contained herein is intended to be used for the planning of a student's academic program and does not constitute a contract. While this guide was prepared with the latest information, courses, graduation requirements, and curricula are subject to change.

When a student attains 85 semester hours of credit (including current enrollment) the student must apply for a degree check in the Office of the Registrar (Degree Checking Section), Room 102 Russ Hall.

MINIMUM GENERAL REQUIREMENTS: The minimum requirements for graduation include 124 semester hours of which 60 hours must be from a four year university. In addition, 45 semester hours must be upper division and 30 hours in residence at PSU (including 24 of the last 30). Minimum GPA for non-education degree is 2.0 overall [2.0 in major], secondary education degree is 2.5 overall [2.75 in major], and early/late childhood/unified degree is 2.80 overall [3.0 in major]. A minimum GPA of 2.0 in any minor and in residence coursework is required. General Education and all degree requirements are provided in the online catalog. Refer to individual departments for specific requirements.