

Health Science - Health Administration Option, B.S.

DEPARTMENT

Department of Public Health

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BS in Health Science - Community Health Option, B.S.
MPH in Public Health - Health Promotion Option, M.P.H.
BS in Health Science - Health Administration Option, B.S.
BS in Health Science - Environmental/Occupational Health & Safety Option, B.S.
MN in Public Health, Minor
Courses Offered

Health Science

The Bachelor of Science in Health Science and the Master of Public Health (MPH) are designed to prepare students for careers with official and voluntary health agencies at the federal, state, or local levels of government as well as the private sector. The Master of Public Health degree is designed for individuals seeking a professional degree in public health. This degree is recognized throughout the world and is fully accredited by the Council of Education for Public Health (CEPH).

Bachelor of Science Degree

The Department of Public Health offers curricula based on principles of public health practices leading to a Bachelor of Science degree, including a major and minor in health science with options in community health, environmental/occupational health and safety, and health administration.

Master's Program

The mission of the program is to prepare public health professionals for leadership roles in the field of health promotion so that they may contribute to the process of improving the health of communities located within the San Joaquin Valley, California, and the southwest. This mission is fulfilled by attaining several program goals which address the health needs of the ethnically and socioeconomically diverse populations living in the San Joaquin Valley and the southwest. Coursework for the Master of Public Health (MPH) is varied and designed to provide the maximum opportunity for problem-solving approaches to the complex issues in the operation, environment, and human factors confronting the health care systems.

REQUIREMENTS

Bachelor of Science Requirements

Health Science Major

The Health Science Bachelor of Science curriculum consists of a core of five courses providing a foundation of knowledge and skills critical to the theory and practice of the health professional. In addition, students complete a specialized cluster of courses in an option that provides the depth and breadth for the area. A variety of combinations between and within options is possible to meet professional goals. However, university policy allows only one option to appear on the transcript and diploma.

To complete the health science major for the B.S., students must complete General Education requirements (49 units), a health science core specific to an option (15 units), one of three options (21-27 units), and any additional requirements to the option selected (11-33 units), the upper-division writing skills requirement, Multicultural and International (M/I), and additional electives. Students are encouraged to complete the additional requirements prior to the major courses as the courses may meet General Education requirements, and they provide a foundation for the courses in health science. Elective units also may be used toward earning a certificate.

Health science students are advised to obtain an advising roadmap from the department office. The roadmap includes the list of required courses. It is strongly recommended that students follow the coursework shown in the roadmap. Students need to consult with their advisers for decisions regarding major and minor courses. All substitutions must be approved by the department chair. Classes offered in the Health Science Department may require field assignments.

Health Science Major

1. Health Science Core for Health Administration Option (15 units)

PH 92, 100, 109, 161, 163

Health Administration Option (43-44 units)

Select one option from below.

2. General Education requirements (49 units)

3. Other requirements (6 units)

Upper-division writing and Multicultural and International (MI)

4. Sufficient elective units to meet required total units (varies)

5. Total units (120)*

* G.E. and MI courses can be double-counted with major requirements. The writing requirement may be met by taking the upper-division writing exam. See advisor for details.

The curriculum is designed to permit admission to master's and doctoral degree programs in health science and public health at major universities throughout the country.

Health Administration Option

The health administration option provides a broad based program to prepare the student for positions within the health care system. The curriculum is designed with an emphasis on exposing the student to the principles of health services administration and the application of these principles. For more information, see the departmental advisor.

Requirements (31-32 units)

Option requirements: PH 151, 156; PH 154 or PLSI 181 or MGT 104; ECON 162 or PH 155; MKTG 100S (16 units)

Option elective requirements (select from): PH 104, 114, 115, 129, 143, 168A, 185F; HRM 150; MKTG 132; SOC 147 (15-16 units)

Additional requirements (12 units)

ACCT 3; ECON 40 and 50; PH 182

Total for option (43-44 units)

- A minimum grade of C is required in all Health Science courses.

Advising Note

Health science majors may not apply CR/NC grading toward major requirements for a baccalaureate degree, except for PH 175I, PH 185FI, and PH 188I, which are mandatory CR/NC courses.

FACULTY

For faculty phone numbers and e-mail, see the campus directory.

For more on the faculty, see the faculty pages.

The faculty pages are updated by the department or program.