Public Health Studies, B.S.   2015-2016

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Oral Communication Requirement:

To satisfy the oral communication requirement for the B.S. degree in Public Health Studies a student must successfully complete PBH 496.

Applied Learning Requirement:

To satisfy the applied learning requirement for the B.S. degree in Public Health Studies a student must successfully complete PBH 497.

Requirements for a Major in Public Health Studies for the B.S. Degree:

To be admitted to the program a student must have a 2.25 overall grade point average. All students in the program must complete all core courses and at least one concentration. A 2.5 GPA is required to register for internship and graduate from the program.

Public Health Studies Core courses: (37 semester hours minimum)

All students in Public Health Studies must complete all core courses and then select at least one concentration.

- PBH 290 - Foundations of Public Health
- PBH 295 - Public Health Practice
- PBH 310 - Social and Behavioral Determinants of Health
- PBH 320 - Foundations of Global Health
- PBH 359 - Research Methods in Public Health
Community Health Education Concentration: (27 semester hours)

This concentration prepares students to become health education specialists. Students completing this concentration are eligible to sit for the Certified Health Education Specialist exam offered by the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing.

Concentration Courses

- PBH 234 - Introduction to Health Promotion and Education
- PBH 305 - Program Planning
- PBH 315 - Health Program Implementation
- PBH 355 - Evaluation Methods and
- PBH 351 - Health Communication

OR

- COM 226 - Health Communication

Total: 64 hours

Global Health Concentration: (30-36 semester hours)

This concentration prepares students for international work in developing countries. Students completing the requirements for this concentration will also meet the requirements of the Peace Corp Preparation Certificate Program.
Foreign Language (0-6 hours)

Two semester courses are required (University language requirement will fulfill minimum concentration requirement). The Peace Corps recommends 4 semesters of foreign language. Spanish and French are the recommended languages.

Area Studies/International Studies (9 hours)

A minimum of three, 3-credit courses that support an international development education. Courses may be selected from the following:

- ANT 327 - Globalization & Culture Change
- ANT 346 - Medical Anthropology
- INT 105 - Introduction to International Studies
- INT 315 - Topics in Globalization
- INT 331 - The Environment and Development in Africa
- INT 480 - Global Issues
- PLS 111 - Politics and Government in Global Perspective
- PLS 218 - Ethics in International Affairs
- PLS 220 - Introduction to International Relations
- EVS 205 - Global Environmental Issues
- EVS 281 - Introduction to Geographic Information Systems in Environmental Sciences
- EVS 430 - Tropical Environmental Ecology
- EVS 450 - Food and the Environment

Sector (major) Specific Classes (12 hours)

- PBH 234 - Introduction to Health Promotion and Education
- PBH 305 - Program Planning
- PBH 315 - Health Program Implementation
- PBH 355 - Evaluation Methods
- PBH 497 - Internship in Public Health This experience must be completed in either a U.S. internship site that works with underserved populations or in a foreign country working with underserved populations.

Total: 67-73 hours
Pre-Clinical Concentration: (36 semester hours)

This concentration prepares students for graduate study in a clinical health area such as medicine, physician assistant, dentistry, physical therapy, etcetera, while also providing a strong background in public health.

- All of the following classes must be completed for this concentration. In addition, all students in this concentration must select BIO 240 and BIO 241 from the core to meet the anatomy and physiology requirement.
  - MAT 151 - Basic Calculus with Applications I
  - PSY 105 - General Psychology
  - BIO 201 - Principles of Biology: Cells
  - BIO 202 - Principles of Biology: Biodiversity
  - CHM 101 - General Chemistry I
  - CHM 102 - General Chemistry II
  - PBH 497 - Internship in Public Health

Science Electives based on career goals - select from the following: (11 hours)

- CHM 211 - Organic Chemistry I
- CHM 212 - Organic Chemistry II
- BIO 246 - Microbiology of Human Diseases
- BIO 320 - Immunology
- BIO 335 - Genetics
- BIO 465 - Biochemistry
- PHY 101 - Elementary College Physics I
- PHY 102 - Elementary College Physics II

Total: 73 hours