



Curriculum Guide for Master of Public Health degree program with a specialization in HEALTH BEHAVIOR AND HEALTH PROMOTION

Students admitted to the Master of Public Health (MPH) degree program are assigned a faculty advisor who will provide guidance throughout the program. This document serves as a resource to be used by the student and the advisor in planning a program with a specialization in Health Behavior and Health Promotion (HBHP). For detailed additional information about specific requirements, students are directed to the College of Public Health (CPH) *Graduate Student Handbook* (available online at <http://cph.osu.edu/students/graduate/handbooks/graduate-student-handbook>) and to the *Graduate School Handbook* (available online at <http://www.gradsch.ohio-state.edu/>).

PROGRAM OF STUDY

The MPH-HBHP curriculum consists of a minimum of 45 credits organized into five curricular domains:

1. Core courses in areas of knowledge basic to public health (15 credits)
2. Courses required for a specialization in Health Behavior and Health Promotion (20 credits)
3. Elective courses approved for the specialization (4 credits)
4. Practicum (2 credits minimum)
5. Culminating project and Culminating Project Seminar (4 credits)

Public Health Core Courses (15 credits)

Every student in the MPH-HBHP program must take the following courses in areas of knowledge basic to public health:

Biostatistics

PUBHBIO 6210	Design and Analysis of Studies in the Health Sciences	3 cr
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Environmental Health Sciences

PUBHEHS 6310	Principles of Environmental Health Science	3 cr
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Epidemiology

PUBHEPI 6410	Principles of Epidemiology	3 cr
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Social and Behavioral Sciences

PUBHHBP 6510	Preventing Disease and Promoting Health through Behavioral Science	3 cr
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Health Services Administration

PUBHHMP 6610	Introduction to Health Care Organization	3 cr
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Required Courses in the Specialization (20 credits)

PUBHHBP 7520	Community Health Assessment	3 cr
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PUBHHBP 7522	Program Planning and Implementation	3 cr
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PUBHHBP 7528	Foundations of Professional Practice in Health Promotion	3 cr
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PUBHHBP 7562	Theoretical Approaches to Health Behavior Change in PH Applications	2 cr
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PUBHBIO 6211	Design and Analysis of Studies in the Health Sciences II	3 cr
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PUBHHBP 7532	Program Evaluation in Public Health	3 cr
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PUBHHBP 7534	Research Methods in Health Behavior and Health Promotion	3 cr
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PUBHHBP 7542	Settings and Special Populations in Health Promotion	3 cr
OR		
PUBHHBP 7544	Fundamental Determinants of Population Health & Implications	3 cr

Recommended Electives for HBHP (4 credits)

Although any graduate-level course in Public Health can be used as an HBHP elective

PUBHHBP 7552	Substance Abuse Prevention	2 cr
PUBHHBP 7554	Cancer Behavioral Science	2 cr
PUBHHBP 7558	Social-Ecological Strategies in Prevention	2 cr
PUBHHBP 7560	Public Health in Action	2 cr

Practicum

PUBHLTH 7189	Practicum in Public Health	2 credits
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Culminating Project and Culminating Project Seminar (4 credits)

PUBHLTH 7998	Culminating Project in Public Health	2 credits
PUBHHBP 7550*	Culminating Project Seminar	1 credit, 1 credit (taken two separate times)

*Students should enroll for 2 credits of Public Health 7998 with their advisor and 1 credit hour of PUBHHBP 7550 AU12 and 1 credit hour of PUBHHBP 7550 SP13)

Sample Curriculum Plan for the Master of Public Health in Health Behavior and Health Promotion

(THIS IS ONE OPTION, STUDENTS ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR ADVISOR FOR OTHER OPTIONS)

Year 1 Autumn Semester		
Course Number	Credit Hours	Semesters Offered
PUBHHBP 6510	3	AU, SP
PUBHHBP 7562	2	AU
PUBHHBP 7520	3	AU
PUBHBIO 6210	3	AU, SP
Year 1 Spring Semester		
PUBHHBP 7522	3	SP
CPH CORE COURSE	3	AU, SP
PUBHHBP 7532 or 7534	3	SP
PUBHBIO 6211	3	SP
Summer Term		
PUBHLTH 7189	2	ANY

Year 2 Autumn Semester		
PUBHHBP 7542 OR 7544	3	AU
PUBHHBP 7550	1	AU
CPH CORE COURSE	3	AU, SP
ELECTIVE	2	AU, SP
Year 2 Spring Semester		
PUBHHBP 7528	3	AU, SP
PUBHHBP 7550	1	
PUBHLTH 7998	2	
CPH CORE COURSE	3	AU, SP
ELECTIVE	2	

Office of Academic Programs and Student Service (OAPSS)

Staff are available in to provide assistance with College and University policies and procedures. In addition, staff are able to answer questions regarding the following:

CPH Academic Standards	Transfer Credit
Time to Degree (time limits)	Combined Degrees and Dual Degrees
Graduate Non-Degree Credit	Graduation
Practicum	Culminating Project
Career Planning	Admissions

Students can make an appointment with a staff member in OAPSS by calling (614)292-8350.

OAPSS address: 100 Cunz Hall/1841 Neil Ave/Columbus, Ohio/ 43210/cph.osu.edu

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