

PUBLIC HEALTH (B.S.)

The Department of Public Health offers students skill-based professional training across the traditional public health disciplines. Our alumni are trained for meaningful public health careers in government agencies, hospitals and health care organizations, community-based and non-profit organizations, foundations and philanthropies, policymaking and research councils, and corporations. Our students have also gone on to complete graduate training in public health, medicine, pharmacy, social work, physician assistant studies, law, and a wide range of other professional fields. Students learn to ask questions, challenge assumptions, and utilize data to preserve, protect, and promote the health and of populations locally, nationally, and globally.

Admission Requirements

Admission requirements for this program are satisfied by the general requirements for undergraduate admission (<https://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/general-information/admission/>) to the University.

Program Requirements

Candidates must complete 120 credits in course work including satisfaction of the University General Education Requirements (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/general-information/general-education/>) and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Group Requirements (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/college-liberal-arts-sciences/bachelors-degree-requirements/>), as well as the Departmental major requirements cited below. All course work must be completed in accordance with the regulations of the University (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/general-information/academic-regulations/>) and the College (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/college-liberal-arts-sciences/academic-regulations/>) governing undergraduate scholarship and degrees. Students must receive a grade of C- or better in all Public Health core courses and in all approved electives. A grade point average of 2.0 in both Public Health and general required courses are required for graduation.

Major Requirements

The B.S. in Public Health is offered with three concentration options: 1) Advocacy and Practice concentration; (2) Research and Evaluation concentration; and (3) Interprofessional concentration. Students must complete a minimum of 39 credits distributed as follows (*Core and Elective courses must be completed with a C- or better*):

Code	Title	Credits
Core Courses		
PH 2100	Introduction to Public Health	3
PH 3000	Public Health Administration	3
PH 3100	Social and Behavioral Aspects of Public Health	3
PH 3200	Introduction to Biostatistics	3
PH 3300	Epidemiology	3
PH 3500	Environmental Health	3
PH 4400 or PH 4500	Quantitative Methods in Public Health Qualitative Methods in Community Public Health	3
Culminating Course		
PH 5100 or PH 5150	Capstone Course in Public Health Public Health Practicum	3
Concentrations		
Choose one of the following concentrations.		15
Advocacy and Practice		
PH 3450	Advocating for Change in Public Health	

PH 3700	Funding Public Health	
Choose three Public Health Elective courses.		
Research and Evaluation ¹		
PH 4650	Health Data Visualization	
PH 4400 or PH 4500	Quantitative Methods in Public Health Qualitative Methods in Community Public Health	
Choose three Public Health Elective courses.		
Interprofessional		
PH 3800	Law and Public Health	
PH 4250	Interprofessional Education and Public Health	
Choose three Public Health Elective courses.		
Total Credits		39

¹ Students who choose the Research and Evaluation concentration must select the methods course *not* taken in the core. This means both methods courses are required within this concentration.

Code	Title	Credits
Elective Courses		
Any 3 Public Health (PH) courses not in the core or required in selected concentration.		
For specific options, please view the Bulletin: https://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/college-liberal-arts-sciences/public-health/#coursestext		
FPH courses permitted as part of AGRADE.		

Public Health Honors

To be recommended for an honors degree from this program, a student must maintain a cumulative and major GPA of at least 3.30 and complete a minimum of twelve honors course credits, including:

Code	Title	Credits
One of the following required professional PH Methods courses (in an Honors section):		
PH 4400 or PH 4500	Quantitative Methods in Public Health Qualitative Methods in Community Public Health	3
One required PH Culminating Course (in an Honors section):		
PH 5100 or PH 5150	Capstone Course in Public Health Public Health Practicum	3
One Course in Public Health (PH) with an Honors Option ¹		3-4
One 42XX level Honors Seminar ²		3

¹ Consult an advisor or the University Schedule of Classes (<http://classschedule.wayne.edu/>) for available Honors Sections.

² A list of seminars is available in the list of Honors (HON) (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/courses/hon/>) courses.

Public Health AGRADE Program

AGRADE provides qualifying Public Health students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences with an opportunity to pursue an accelerated pathway to the Master of Public Health (MPH) program in the School of Medicine. The MPH prepares students for a professional career at the intersection of public, clinical and/or other allied health sciences.

Application

Undergraduate students enrolled in the Public Health major or minor are eligible to apply. Students can apply to AGRADE during the semester they plan to complete 90 credits, usually during the second semester of their junior year. Students should have senior standing during their

first semester as an AGRADE student. They must also have successfully completed the following four undergraduate courses:

Code	Title	Credits
PH 2100	Introduction to Public Health	3
PH 3100	Social and Behavioral Aspects of Public Health	3
PH 3200	Introduction to Biostatistics	3
PH 3300	Epidemiology	3

Applicants must have a 3.6 GPA or better in coursework for their Public Health major or minor, and a cumulative GPA of 3.3 or better.

Applications will be reviewed each semester. The GRE may be waived based on satisfactory performance in the AGRADE courses (at least a B grade in each AGRADE class). Acceptance to the BSPH-MPH AGRADE program is competitive. The MPH program admissions committee reviews all AGRADE applicant applications and makes decisions about admission to this accelerated track.

Requirements

Upon admission, students may elect 3-15 credits in approved graduate M.P.H. courses. These graduate level courses will complete public health major or minor elective requirements or bachelor's degree elective requirements, as well as fulfill the beginning of study toward the master's degree.

Code	Title	Credits
FPH 7011	Foundations of Public Health	3
FPH 7012	Social Justice in Public Health	3
FPH 7015	Biostatistics I	3
FPH 7100	Health Care Organization and Administration	3
FPH 7240	Epidemiology	3

The bachelor's degree will be awarded following the completion of the undergraduate degree requirements. Graduate course work taken in this program must be completed within eight years (from the time that the first graduate course is taken that is counted toward degree requirements) or within six years from the awarding of the bachelor's degree, whichever comes first.

For more information, contact the Public Health undergraduate academic advisors (<https://clas.wayne.edu/public-health/advising/>) and consult the AGRADE FAQs (<https://clas.wayne.edu/public-health/programs/agrade/>).