COMMUNITY HEALTH, PHD

for the Doctor of Philosophy in Community Health

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Joint Degree Program:
Public Health, MPH & Community Health, PhD (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/joint-degree/public-health-mph-community-health-phd)

Admissions
Applications are due on January 15 for Fall admissions. Applications are due on October 1 for Spring admissions.

Admissions to the PhD degree program requires a minimum of a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher education with a minimum grade point average of 3.5 (A = 4.0) for the last two years of undergraduate study. Applicants who have a master’s degree should have a grade point average of 3.5 for previous graduate-level work. All applicants are required to submit Graduate Record Examination (GRE) test scores, a statement of interest, and three letters of recommendation.

International students must also submit Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scores, with a minimum for full status admission: greater than 102 (IBT), greater than 253 (CBT), greater than 610 (PBT), or greater than 7.0 (IELTS). Scores cannot be more than 2 years old. (see https://grad.illinois.edu/admissions/instructions/04c).

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Graduate course experience in public health and statistics with grades of B or better is expected prior to admission. Before admission to the Ph.D. program, students may be required to take up to 12 hours of additional coursework to remedy deficiencies. The candidate is required to pass written preliminary examinations covering disciplinary and professional aspects of community health, the literature and theoretical perspectives in the major area of study and methodological perspectives and research techniques. Students must also pass an oral preliminary examination on the area of specialization and dissertation proposal, and to pass an oral defense of dissertation research.

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Entering with a Bachelors degree

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Entering with an approved Masters degree

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Total Hours 64

Other Requirements

Other requirements may overlap
Approved Masters Degree Required for Admission to PhD: Yes
Qualifying Exam Required: No
Preliminary Exam Required: Yes
Final Exam/dissertation Defense Required: Yes
Dissertation Deposit Required: Yes
Minimum GPA: 3.0

1 For additional details and requirements refer to the department’s Graduate Handbook (http://kch.illinois.edu/kch-grad-handbook) and the Graduate College Handbook (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook).