

PUBLIC HEALTH MINOR

for the Undergraduate Minor in Public Health

The Public Health Minor is directed toward undergraduate students across campus, and within the College of Applied Health Sciences, who seek an introduction to the field and its disciplines, and for those who anticipate knowledge in public health will help them succeed in their careers. Pandemics, such as COVID-19, and other health concerns, have underscored the importance of public health to the successful functioning of society.

The Public Health Minor provides students an introduction to the public health field. Coursework offers students exposure to the concepts, core functions, and applications of public health in a variety of specializations including health promotion and education, epidemiology, and environmental health. Students must complete 13 hours of foundational/required courses and 6 hours of approved electives. Students can complete the program in-person, online, or using a combination of the two. More information about the Public Health Minor and how to apply can be on the Public Health Minor webpage (<https://www.ahs.illinois.edu/publichealth-minor/>).

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The requirements for the Minor in Public Health include four required courses that will provide students with foundational knowledge. In addition, students will be exposed to the concepts, core functions, and applications of public health in a variety of the specific disciplines including health promotion and education, epidemiology, and environmental health. The requirements represent 13 credit hours of coursework, 7 of which are offered at an advanced level. In addition, students will complete 6 hours from a list of elective courses. This will allow students the opportunity to develop expertise in a specific area of interest.

Code	Title	Hours
Required courses:		
CHLH 101		
CHLH 274		
CHLH 410		
CHLH 469		3
Electives	choose at least 6 hours from:	6
CHLH 100		
CHLH 210		
CHLH 250		
CHLH 304		
CHLH 330		
CHLH 415		3
CHLH 421		3
CHLH 441		3
CHLH 455		
CHLH 457		
CHLH 458		
IHLT 232		

IHLT 240

Total Hours

19

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1. Demonstrate a basic understanding of public health including basic concepts and core functions of public health, the scope of applications, and the variety of service organizations (both public and private) that shape public health.
2. Demonstrate a basic understanding of epidemiology, including basic concepts and methods, patterns of disease occurrence, applications of epidemiology to health education, health services administration and planning, health policy, and environmental health.
3. Demonstrate an ability to apply knowledge of public health. Understand theory and practice of public health promotion as they relate to educational approaches in solving community health problems.
4. Demonstrate a basic understanding of environmental health that includes concepts and mechanisms used to prevent or control environmental conditions that may lead to infectious or other environmentally induced diseases. In addition, gain understanding of topics from a public health perspective such as air pollution, water supply management, waste management, radiation protection, food hygiene, occupational health and disaster management.

Programs in Health and Kinesiology Undergraduate Programs

- Majors
 - Community Health, BS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/community-health-bs/>)
 - optional concentrations
 - Community Health: Health Education, BS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/community-health-bs/health-education-promotion/>)
 - Community Health: Health Planning & Administration, BS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/community-health-bs/health-planning-administration/>)
 - Community Health: Rehabilitation & Disability Studies, BS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/community-health-bs/rehabilitation-studies/>)
 - Kinesiology, BS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/kinesiology-bs/>)
 - optional concentrations
 - Kinesiology: Teacher Certification, BS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/kinesiology-bs/teacher-certification/>)
 - Interdisciplinary Health Sciences, BS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/interdisciplinary-health-sciences-bs/>)
 - optional concentrations
 - Interdisciplinary Health Sciences: Health & Aging, BS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/interdisciplinary-health-sciences-bs/health-aging/>)
 - Interdisciplinary Health Sciences: Health Behavior Change, BS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/>)

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- Interdisciplinary Health Sciences: Health Diversity, BS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/interdisciplinary-health-sciences-bs/health-diversity/>)
- Interdisciplinary Health Sciences: Health Technology, BS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/interdisciplinary-health-sciences-bs/health-technology/>)

• Minors

- Disability Studies (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/minors/disability-studies/>)
- Health Administration (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/minors/health-administration/>)
- Health Technology, Interdisciplinary (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/minors/interdisciplinary-health-technology/>)
- Interdisciplinary Aging (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/minors/aging/>)
- Kinesiology (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/minors/kinesiology/>)
- Public Health (p. 1)

• Joint Programs

- Community Health, BS and Public Health, MPH (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/community-health-bs-public-health-mp/>)
- Community Health, BS and Epidemiology, MPH (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/community-health-bs-epidemiology-mp/>)
- Kinesiology, BS and Public Health, MPH (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/kinesiology-bs-public-health-mp/>)
- Kinesiology, BS and Epidemiology, MPH (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/kinesiology-bs-epidemiology-mp/>)
- Interdisciplinary Health Sciences, BS and Public Health, MPH (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/interdisciplinary-health-sciences-bs-public-health-mp/>)
- Interdisciplinary Health Sciences, BS and Epidemiology, MPH (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/ahs/interdisciplinary-health-sciences-bs-epidemiology-mp/>)

- Public Health, MPH (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/public-health-mp/>)

• Joint Programs

- Public Health, MPH & Community Health, PhD (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/joint-degree/public-health-mp-community-health-phd/>)
- Public Health, MPH & Food Science & Human Nutrition, PhD (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/aces_ahs/joint-degree/food-science-human-nutrition-phd-public-health-mp/)
- Public Health, MPH & Kinesiology, PhD (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/joint-degree/public-health-mp-kinesiology-phd/>)
- Public Health, MPH & Nutritional Science, PhD (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/aces_ahs/nutritional-science-phd-public-health-mp/)
- Public Health, MPH & Social Work, PhD (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs_socw/joint-degree/public-health-mp-social-work-phd/)
- Public Health, MPH & Urban Planning, MUP (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs_faa/joint-degree/public-health-mp-urban-planning-mup/)

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Health and Kinesiology

Health and Kinesiology website (<http://www.kch.illinois.edu/>)

Health and Kinesiology Faculty (<https://ahs.illinois.edu/kch-directory-update/>)

College of Applied Health Sciences

Applied Health Sciences College Catalog page (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/schools/ahs/academic-units/>)

Applied Health Sciences College website (<http://www.ahs.illinois.edu/>)

To declare the minor or ask questions about the requirements, please contact:

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Graduate Programs

• Majors

- Community Health, MS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/community-health-ms/>)
- Community Health, PhD (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/community-health-phd/>)
- Epidemiology, MPH (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/epidemiology-mp/>)
- Health Administration, MHA (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/health-administration-mha/>)
- Health Technology, MS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/health-technology-ms/>)
- Kinesiology, MS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/kinesiology-ms/>)
- Kinesiology, PhD (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/ahs/kinesiology-phd/>)