PUBLIC HEALTH MINOR

Offered by Health Science Programs (http://catalog.unk.edu/undergraduate/departments-programs/health-science-programs/)

The purpose of the interdisciplinary Public Health Minor is to allow students majoring in areas which directly or indirectly impact the health of populations to gain insight, knowledge and experience in the diverse field of public health. The objectives of this minor are:

a. to acquaint the student with the core values of public health including assessment, policy development and assurance;
b. to increase the student’s understanding and awareness of the importance of biological, chemical and other natural processes to disease and health;
c. to provide the skills students need to become leaders in promoting health;
d. to critique the value of existing programs, laws, and healthcare structure at local to global levels;
e. to provide specific business knowledge relating to health care economics and marketing;
f. to provide the skills students need to contribute to the changing field of public health through research, awareness and leadership.

Code | Title | Credit Hours
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HSCI 140 | Introduction to Public Health | 3
HSCI 320 | Global Health | 3
Biol 110 | Introduction to Epidemiology | 3

Electives
Select at least one course from each of the following groups for a minimum of 15 credit hours.¹

Group 1: Natural Science
- BIOL 211 Human Microbiology
- BIOL 215 Human Physiology
- BIOL 225 Anatomy and Physiology
- BIOL 440 Infectious Diseases
- CHEM 145 Introductory Chemistry
- CHEM 150 Introduction to Organic and Biochemistry
- CHEM 160 General Chemistry
- CHEM 160L General Chemistry Laboratory
- CHEM 300 Environmental Chemistry

Group 2: Business and Management
- ECON 410 Health Care Economics
- MGT 380 Human Resource Management
- MGT 440 Health Care Management I - Managing People Effectively
- MGT 441 Health Care Management II - Managing Processes Effectively
- MKT 336 Services Marketing

Group 3: Nutrition and Wellness
- FAMS 110 Introduction to Nutrition
- PE 150 Healthy Wealthy and Wise
- PE 329 Introduction to Health Promotions
- SFED 335 General Safety Education

Group 4: Cultural, Psychological, Social and other

BIOL 211 Medical Terminology
FAMS 150 Lifespan Development and the Family
FAMS 351 Marriage and Family Relationships
FAMS 481 Cross-Cultural Family Patterns
PSY 192 Death and Dying
PSY 231 Abnormal Behavior and Society
PSY 462 Adult Development and Aging
SOC 275 Social Psychology
SOC 462 Sociology of Health and Illness
SOWK 170 Introduction to Social Welfare
SPAN 103 Spanish for Special Purposes (Medical)

Total Credit Hours 24

¹ The elective courses selected should be based on the need to provide a broader education for each student. Students interested in this degree MUST consult with a public health minor advisor to identify specific courses required to focus specific public health interests.