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## PUBLIC HEALTH (MPH) CONCENTRATION IN HEALTH DISPARITIES

Degree: Master of Public Health

Major. Public Health

**Program Coordinator** 

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Master of Public Health - 42 Hours

This online degree program is an in-depth examination of community health theory, research, and practice in health promotion program assessment, planning, implementation, and evaluation. Program topics include current issues, epidemiology, behavior, and psychosocial and socioeconomic factors and determinants influencing health status.

## **Admissions Requirements**

Candidates for admission to the Master of Public Health must meet all the admission requirements of the College of Graduate Studies.

- a. Candidates must have a 2.5 or greater GPA on a 4.0 scale overall or a 2.75 GPA in the last 60 hours of their undergraduate degree program.
- b. Candidates must satisfy the necessary undergraduate prerequisites as prescribed for a particular area of specialization. All students desiring entrance to the Master programs will receive a review of their prior coursework. In some instances, leveling course work may be required before full admittance to the program of study is granted. Leveling courses may be required if undergraduate course transcripts do not provide sufficient evidence for successful mastery of cognitive and/or practical applied skills and abilities as related to the program of study.
- c. GRE is not required for MPH admissions.

## **Degree Requirements**

- Candidates for the Master of Public Health in Health Disparities must meet all of the College of Graduate Studies general degree requirements.
- · Twenty-seven semester hours of required curriculum core courses.
- · Nine semester hours of advisor-approved elective courses.
- · Six semester hours of Capstone.

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Code	litle	Hours	
Core Public Health Courses			
HLTH 5303	Biostatistics	3	
HLTH 5308	Social Epidemiology	3	
HLTH 5310	Social & Behavioral Sciences	3	
HLTH 5309	Environmental Health Sciences	3	
HLTH 5331	Health Program Administration	3	
Required Courses in Health Disparities			
HLTH 5337	U.S. and International Health Disparities	3	
HLTH 5304	Foundations of Health Education in Diverse Communities	3	

HLTH 5323	Health Program Planning and Evaluation in Diverse Communities	3	
HLTH 5320	Research Methods in Health Education in Diverse Populations	3	
Capstone			
HLTH 5190	Capstone I	1	
HLTH 5191	Capstone II	1	
HLTH 5192	Capstone III	1	
HLTH 5392	Capstone IV	3	
Prescribed Elective Courses <sup>1</sup>			
Select three of the	e following:	9	
HLTH 5332	Current HIth Issues/HIth Promo		
HLTH 5344	Worksite Health & Disparities		
HLTH 5380	Human Diseases		
HLTH 5313	Health Literacy of Diverse populations: Challenges and Intervention Strategies		
HLTH 5314	Economics and Financing Health Care		
HLTH 5315	Public Health Surveillance and Emergency Preparedness		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Approved nutrition courses with prior authorization from advisor.

**Total Hours**