

COMMUNITY HEALTH - BS

The Bachelor of Science in Community Health prepares and educates students to serve as community health educators and promoters in a variety of government and private health agencies, clinical settings, nonprofit organizations, volunteer agencies and other community organizations. This program is unique in that it offers a wide range of approved electives permitting the student to develop a program according to his or her needs and interests. Each graduate will have knowledge enabling them to communicate health and health education needs, concerns, and resources.

In addition to classroom experience, the student is exposed to pre-professional training through a non-paid, full semester internship in the final semester. This internship program provides them with on-the-job experience and employment opportunities. Students are placed in a setting which best fits their professional goals.

Program Requirements

This degree plan has been laid out showing students the number of hours they must take each semester in order to complete the degree in four years without attending summer school. This is a suggested plan and does not have to be followed as laid out below. Students should use this information in conjunction with advising documents available from their advisor or the department website when scheduling courses each semester to ensure they are meeting all prerequisites, taking courses for admission to professional phase in a timely manner and meeting all grade requirements.

First Year

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
BIOL 107 or BIOL 111	Zoology ¹ or Introductory Biology I	4
ENGL 103 or ENGL 104	Introduction to Rhetoric and Composition ¹ or Composition and Rhetoric	3
HLTH 210	Introduction to the Discipline ¹	3
Social and behavioral sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences) ^{2,3}		3
Health elective ^{1,4}		3
Semester Credit Hours		16
Spring		
CHEM 119	Fundamentals of Chemistry I ¹	4
COMM 203 or COMM 205	Public Speaking ¹ or Communication for Technical Professions	3
HLTH 222	Concepts in Peer Health Education ¹	3
HLTH 231	Healthy Lifestyles ¹	3
Creative arts (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts) ^{2,3}		3
Semester Credit Hours		16

Second Year

Fall		
HLTH 236	Introduction to Health Disparities and Diversity ^{1,3}	3
HLTH 240	Computer Technology in Health and Kinesiology ¹	3
American history (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history) ^{2,3}		3
Mathematics (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics) ^{1,2,3}		3-4
General elective ¹		3
Semester Credit Hours		15
Spring		
BIOL 319	Integrated Human Anatomy and Physiology I ¹	4
HLTH 342/ PHLT 342	Human Sexuality ^{1,3}	3
American history (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history) ^{2,4}		3
Health elective ^{1,5}		3
General elective ¹		3
Semester Credit Hours		16

Third Year

Fall		
BIOL 320	Integrated Human Anatomy and Physiology II ¹	4
HLTH 331	Community Health ¹	3
KINE 199	Required Physical Activity ⁶	1
POLS 206	American National Government	3
Language, philosophy and culture (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture) ^{4,5}		3
Health elective ^{1,5}		2
Semester Credit Hours		16
Spring		
HLTH 335	Human Diseases ¹	3
HLTH 353/ PHLT 353	Drugs and Society ¹	3
KINE 120	The Science of Basic Health and Fitness ¹	1
POLS 207	State and Local Government	3
Mathematics (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics) ^{1,2,3}		3-4
General elective ¹		3
Semester Credit Hours		16

Fourth Year

Fall		
HLTH 415/ PHLT 420	Health Education Methodology ^{1,7}	3
HLTH 425/ PHLT 425	Health Program Evaluation ¹	3

HLTH 440/ PHLT 440	Contemporary Issues for Community Health Interns ^{1,7}	3
HLTH 482	Grant Writing in Health ^{7,8}	1
Health elective ^{1,5}		3
Semester Credit Hours		13
Spring		
HLTH 484	Community Health Internship ¹	12
Semester Credit Hours		12
Total Semester Credit Hours		120

¹ Must make a grade of C or better.

² Course should meet Core Curriculum requirement.

³ MATH 150 can not be used to meet this requirement.

⁴ Course selection should meet the International and Cultural Diversity (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/international-cultural-diversity-requirements/>) and/or Cultural Discourse (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/cultural-discourse-requirements/>) graduation requirement, if needed.

⁵ Select from the following courses: HLTH 216/KINE 216, HLTH 221, HLTH 285, HLTH 291, HLTH 333/PHLT 363, HLTH 334, HLTH 354/PHLT 354, HLTH 403/PHLT 403, HLTH 405/PHLT 405, HLTH 407, HLTH 410, HLTH 429, HLTH 485, HLTH 491; NUTR 222; or HEFB 222/KNFB 222.

⁶ Can be taken S/U or for a grade. Must make a C or better.

⁷ Course meets the University writing or communication requirement.

⁸ Must be taken S/U.