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SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Doctor of Public Health (DrPH) (Public Health Practice) Academic Year 2013-2014

The Doctor of Public Health (DrPH) degree in Public Health Practice is an indication of distinguished scholarly accomplishment in the professional field. The goal of the DrPH program is to provide advanced training in public health leadership for individuals who will serve in a variety of roles within government, private and not-for-profit organizations. The DrPH program requires a minimum of 60 semester credit hours (SCH) and is offered on a full time or part-time basis.

The DrPH curriculum will serve to integrate the five core areas of public health, emphasizing work experience relevant to this advanced degree and addressing learning methods in the context of public health practice. To develop leadership skills, students will interact and collaborate with senior public health practitioners through a variety of courses and the residency. Program content and learning experiences will address the public health competencies identified by the Association of Schools of Public Health (ASPH). Overall, upon completion of the DrPH program, the graduate will be able to demonstrate the ability to:

- 1. **Advocacy** Use scientific knowledge and ethical considerations to create and sustain active support for a cause or position with the intent of influencing decision-making regarding policies, practices and beliefs that advance public health at local, tribal, state, national, and international levels.
- 2. **Communication** Study and use communication strategies to inform and influence individual and community decisions that enhance health.
- 3. **Community/Cultural Orientation** Interact and communicate effectively with people of different cultures. This includes having:
 - An awareness of one's own cultural worldview;
 - Mature attitudes towards cultural differences;
 - Knowledge of different cultural practices and worldviews; and
 - Possession of cross-cultural skills.
- 4. **Critical Analysis** Develop, synthesize, interpret, and apply evidence-based research and theory from a broad range of disciplines and health-related data sources to facilitate studies, interventions and policies for promoting population health.
- 5. **Leadership** Inspire trust and motivate individuals and teams to use evidence based strategies to envision and communicate a positive future that enhances essential public health services for all populations.
- 6. **Management** Provide fiscally responsible strategic and operational guidance for a variety of health-related organizations, both public and private, for the purpose of achieving individual and community health and wellness.
- 7. **Professionalism and Ethics** Identify ethical issues, balance the claims of personal liberty against concerns about population health, consider the full spectrum of the determinants of health, identify the range of options for interventions, demonstrate the values and professional practices which form the basis of public health practice; understand and act upon the ethical concepts of social justice, virtue, and human rights; model accountability; and formulate and commit to personal and institutional development plans.

SEQUENCE OF COURSEWORK FOUR YEAR (FALL ENTRY)

FOR A STUDENT WITH AN MPH DEGREE

FALL 2013								
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 10								
HMAP 6322	PHED 6122	PHED 6314	HMAP 6360	PHED 6050				
Organizational Management	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN PH PRACTICE 1	METHODS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH STUDIES	ETHICAL ISSUES IN PUBLIC HEALTH	DRPH PORTFOLIO				
CREDIT HOURS: 3	CREDIT HOURS: 1	CREDIT HOURS: 3	CREDIT HOURS: 3					
		Spring	2014					
		TOTAL CREDI						
BACH 6300	EPID 6311	PHED 6118	HMAP 6320	PHED 5000	PHED 6050			
SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL THEORIES & HEALTH APPLICATIONS	APPLIED EPIDEMIOLOGY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH	SEMINAR/GRAND ROUNDS IN PUBLIC HEALTH	LEADERSHIP FOR PUBLIC HEALTH	CERTIFIED IN PUBLIC HEALTH EXAM	DRPH PORTFOLIO			
CREDIT HOURS: 3	CREDIT HOURS: 3	CREDIT HOURS: 1	CREDIT HOURS: 3					
SUMMER 2014 Total Credit Hours: 0 or 3								
ELECTIVE	PHED 6050	PHED 6000						
OR FIELD EXPERIENCE (CAN BE DONE IN SUMMER SEMESTER 2) CREDIT HOURS: 3	DRPH PORTFOLIO	PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION						
		EALL	2014					
		TOTAL CRED						
PHED 6316	PHED 6325	PHED 6050	ELECTIVE					
ADVANCED PROGRAM DESIGN & EVALUATION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE	EVIDENCE-BASED PUBLIC HEALTH	DRPH PORTFOLIO						
CREDIT HOURS: 3	CREDIT HOURS: 3		CREDIT HOURS: 3					

Spring 2015							
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 9							
HMAP 5328	HMAP 5340	PHED 6050	ELECTIVE				
Human Resources Management	PUBLIC HEALTH LAW	DRPH PORTFOLIO					
CREDIT HOURS: 3	CREDIT HOURS: 3		CREDIT HOURS: 3				
SUMMER 2015							
F. serve		TOTAL CREDIT	Hours: 0 or 3				
ELECTIVE OR FIELD EXPERIENCE (IF NOT DONE IN SUMMER SEMESTER 1)	PHED 6050 DRPH PORTFOLIO						
CREDIT HOURS: 3							
FALL 2015							
			IT Hours: 6				
HMAP 5330	HMAP 6310	PHED 6050					
HEALTH FINANCE 1	ADVANCED HEALTH POLICY	DRPH PORTFOLIO	ICE INITIATED				
CREDIT HOURS: 3	CREDIT HOURS: 3						
CREDIT HOURS: 3	CREDIT HOURS: 3	Spring	2016				
SPRING 2016 Total Credit Hours: 4							
PHED 6002	PHED 6124	PHED 6050	ELECTIVE				
INTEGRATED COMPETENCY EVALUATION (ICE)	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE II	DRPH PORTFOLIO					
	CREDIT HOURS: 1		CREDIT HOURS: 3				
SUMMER 2016							
		TOTAL CRED	IT Hours: 3				
PHED 6397							
DOCTOR IN PUBLIC HEALTH RESIDENCY							
CREDIT HOURS: 3							

FALL 2016							
Total Credit Hours: 3							
PHED 6397							
DOCTOR IN PUBLIC							
HEALTH RESIDENCY							
CREDIT HOURS: 3							
Spring 2017							
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 3							
PHED 6397							
DOCTOR IN PUBLIC							
HEALTH RESIDENCY							
CREDIT HOURS: 3							
THE SECULENCE OF COURSEWORK REFLECTS REQUIRED COURSES THAT ARE GUARANTEED TO BE OFFERED (EXCLUDES FLECTIVES)							

Preliminary Examination: A student is eligible to take the Preliminary Examination after successful completion of PHED 5000 (Certified in Public Health Examination) and the following prerequisite courses: BACH 6300 (Social and Behavioral Theories & Health Applications), EPID 6311 (Applied Epidemiology for Public Health), HMAP 6322 (Organizational Management) and PHED 6314 (Methods for Public Health Studies).