

Minor in Public Health

The minor in public health consists of 18 credit hours addressing foundational knowledge on the pillars of public health (community health, epidemiology, environmental health, public health administration). The educational objective is to provide foundational knowledge on public health that could be offered to undergraduate students enrolled in different majors across the university.

Public Health minors who are considering the Master of Public Health degree are advised to take HSCI 3308 as their minor elective course, as this course is a pre-requisite for UTEP's MPH program.

Marketable Skills

1. Communication: Reach mutual understanding through effective exchange of information, ideas, and feelings
2. Leadership: Step up, think, and act critically and creatively to bring others together to accomplish a common task
3. Problem-solving: Find solutions to difficult or complex issues
4. Research: Be able to search, investigate and critically analyze information in response to a specific research question
5. Social responsibility: Act ethically and responsibly for the benefit of society and the public good
6. Stress management: Be able to identify causes of stress, identify effective coping mechanisms, and take action to change the situation
7. Teamwork: Participate as an effective, efficient member of a group in order to meet a common goal

Additionally, students will learn:

1. Health behavior, use of effective mechanisms to help individuals make informed decisions about lifestyle modifications
2. Health education techniques

Degree Plan

Code	Title	Hours
Public Health Minor		
Required Courses:		
HSCI 1301	Fnd. of Hlth Sci. & Hlth Promo	3
HSCI 3301	Community Health	3
HSCI 3306	Environmental Health	3
HSCI 3311	Introduction to Epidemiology	3
HSCI 4304	Public Health Administration	3
Electives		
Select one of the following:		
HSCI 3304	Health Perspectives in Aging	
HSCI 3305	Substance Use & Society	
HSCI 3307	Death, Dying and Bereavement	
HSCI 3308	Disease Charc/Prevnt/Contrl	
HSCI 4303	Family Life & Human Sexuality	
HSCI 4306	Health Cnrns of Preadol & Adol	
Total Hours		15