

# *Bachelor of Science in Health*

## *Concentration: Community Health*

The Department of Public Health offers a Community Health concentration with a minor in Health Education. This concentration culminates in a Bachelor of Science in Health (B.S.H.) degree. Of major concern to society is the health and well-being of its citizens. Although the human lifespan has increased, chronic and degenerative diseases, and continuing and emerging infectious disease and injuries are urgent problems that must be addressed. Students in this concentration are educated in the principles and methodologies related to enhancement of health at both individual and community levels. The goal of the Community Health program is to provide students with the education needed for entry-level community health positions and for graduate studies. At the completion of this degree program, students are eligible to take the national examination for certification in health education (Certified Health Education Specialist). Students are encouraged to become members of the UNF student chapter of the Florida Association of Professional Health Educators, and to apply for membership in Eta Sigma Gamma, a National Health Education Honorary.

The BSH Community Health concentration combines a broad spectrum of liberal arts, basic sciences, social sciences and health science core and major courses to prepare undergraduate students in the field of health education/health promotion. Students gain experience and skills in promoting health behaviors and preventing both chronic and infectious diseases and injury, while learning the theories and research methods necessary for the development of this field. Students may take courses related to nutrition, sexuality education, substance abuse and violence prevention, mental and emotional health education, exercise physiology and fitness, and aging.

<b>Prerequisites</b>		<b>(25 Semester Hours)</b>
PSY 2012	Introduction to Psychology	3
MAC 1105	College Algebra	3
CHM 2045/2045L	General Chemistry I with Lab	3/1
MCB 2010C	Microbiology	4
BSC 2085C	Anatomy/Physiology I	4
BSC 2086C	Anatomy/Physiology II	4
STA 2014	Elementary Statistics	3
<b>Requisite</b>		<b>(3 Semester Hours)</b>
HSC 2100	Personal Health Issues / Problems	3
<b>Core Requirements</b>		<b>(12 Semester Hours)</b>
HSC 3500	Epidemiology	3
HSA 4553	Health Law and Ethics	3
HSC 4730	Research in Community Health	3
HSC 3555	Human Disease: Pathophysiology, Prevention & Treatment	3
<b>Major Requirements</b>		<b>(18 Semester Hours)</b>
HSC 3032	Foundations of Community Health	3
HSC 3713	Planning and Evaluation of Health Programs	3
HSC 3304	Instructional Methods of Health Education	3
HSC 4800	Community Health Pre-Internship	3
HSC 4814	Community Health Internship	6

**\*\*As a required course, the internship must be completed during the student's last academic semester.  
All program pre-requisites must be completed prior to start of the Pre-Internship.**

**Minor: Health Education**

**Requirements**

**(18 Semester Hours)**

PET 3080	Physical Activity and Epidemiology	3
HSC 4563	Dimensions: Health of the Older Adult	3
HSC 4134	Mental and Emotional Health Education	3
HSC 4133	Sexuality Education	3
HSC 4572	Nutrition / Health	3
HSC 4150	Substance Abuse and Violence Prevention	3

**Electives:** Select Four HSA / HSC courses at the 3000/4000 Level

**(12 Semester Hours)**

**Total Upper Division Program Hours**

**(60 Semester Hours)**



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