

# PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATION, B.S.

The Department of Public Health Education offers the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Public Health Education major with a concentration in Community Health Education or Health Studies (an online degree program). Both concentrations provide a foundation in the core areas of public health including: social and behavioral sciences, epidemiology, public health statistics, and health policy and administration. Only students in the Community Health Education concentration are eligible candidates for national credentialing as a Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES.). The Health Studies Online concentration is an online option available for second-degree seeking students looking for a non-professional degree to complement their current professional or career experiences.

## Community Health Education Concentration

Increasing national interest in health and health promotion attracts students to the undergraduate degree program in Community Health Education. The concentration provides field experiences in public and private agencies as part of the professional preparation program. Students are prepared to design and implement health promotion programs in the community. Graduates have careers in national, state, and local health agencies, health and human services organizations, and business and industry; and many continue on into graduate study.

## Health Studies Online Concentration

The program leading to the Bachelor of Science in Public Health, Health Studies Online concentration, is designed to prepare individuals for positions in health-related fields and provide a base for graduate study. The Health Studies Online concentration will allow time and location bound students to complete an undergraduate degree without relocating to the UNC Greensboro campus. Our graduates, like other graduates in general education programs, are competitive in the job market for careers in administration, education, health sciences, human relations, and public service, and in other governmental, community-based and/or nonprofit settings.

Students requesting admission to the Health Studies Online concentration may apply to the major only after earning a prior degree (A.A., A.S., B.A., B.S., or equivalent; an A.A.S. is not an equivalent option) from an accredited college or university and completion of courses that satisfy General Education requirements.

## Criteria for Admission to the Public Health Education Major

Before the registration window opens, students must declare their major as Public Health Education (PUBH) through the University Registrar's Office, and select a concentration, either Community Health Education (COHE) or Health Studies Online (HEST).

Only students who have their major officially declared as PUBH major will be permitted to register in upper level public health education (HEA) courses, typically completed in the junior and senior years. Additionally, only students who have selected either COHE or HEST as their concentration, will be allowed to register for concentration-restricted course sections.

Note: All HEST concentration prerequisite courses may not be online. Therefore, meeting with an admissions counselor or advisor prior to

transferring or changing your major concentration is necessary to understand how to complete concentration program requirements.

## Health Studies Online Admission Requirements

### Minimum Criteria for Admission to the Health Studies Online Concentration

#### Prior degree

Students requesting admission to the Health Studies Online concentration may declare this concentration only after earning a prior degree (A.A., A.S., B.A., B.S., or equivalent; A.A.S. does not count as an equivalent) from an accredited college or university and completion of courses that satisfy General Education requirements.

## Overall Requirements

- 120 credit hours, to include at least 36 credits at or above the 300 course level.
- Students must continue to maintain the cumulative GPA requirement of 2.50 to progress and graduate. Students who drop below a 2.50 overall GPA will be dropped from the program.
- No HEA course or health-related area course for which a grade of C or better is required for the major may be taken more than twice (a C- is not acceptable). Students who receive a grade below C twice in the same HEA course or health related area course required for the major will be dropped from the major.

## Degree Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
	University Requirements ( <a href="https://catalog.uncg.edu/academic-regulations-policies/undergraduate-requirements/undergraduate-degrees-and-degree-requirements/">https://catalog.uncg.edu/academic-regulations-policies/undergraduate-requirements/undergraduate-degrees-and-degree-requirements/</a> )	
	General Education Requirements - Minerva's Academic Curriculum (MAC) ( <a href="https://catalog.uncg.edu/academic-regulations-policies/undergraduate-requirements/general-education-program/">https://catalog.uncg.edu/academic-regulations-policies/undergraduate-requirements/general-education-program/</a> )	

## Major Requirements

Select one of the concentrations as detailed following the major requirements.

- Community Health Education
- Health Studies Online

## Electives

Electives sufficient to complete the 120 credit hours required for degree.

### Community Health Education Concentration Requirements

#### Graduation Requirements for the Concentration

- A grade of C (2.0) or better in all required HEA courses and health related courses.
- Overall GPA of 2.50
- Completion of all other requirements as described for degree and major (students may still be required to complete free elective credit hours to meet university degree requirements).

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Required</b>		<b>57</b>
HEA 308	Introduction to Public Health	
HEA 312	Public Health and Healthcare Systems in the US	
HEA 314	Public Health Diseases	
HEA 315	Epidemiology	
HEA 316	Environmental Health	
HEA 325	Public Health Data Analysis	
HEA 339	Introduction to Public Health Education Practice	
HEA 340	Community Observation and Assessment	
HEA 366	Community Health Interventions I	
HEA 405	Program Planning and Evaluation	
HEA 426	Internship Planning	
HEA 428	Health Education Internship (Fieldwork IV and Seminar) (Fieldwork IV and Seminar)	
HEA 466	Community Health Interventions II	
<i>Select 12 credits of the following:</i>		
HEA 113	Medical Terminology for Public Health Professionals	
HEA 201	Personal Health	
HEA 202	Introduction to Peer Health Education	
HEA 203	Peer Health Education: Selected Topics	
HEA 231	Athlete Health and Sport Performance	
HEA 260	Human Sexuality	
HEA 307	Global Health	
HEA 310	Mental Health and Well-Being	
HEA 331	Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drugs	
HEA 334	Community Health	
HEA 350	Race, Ethnicity, and Health	
HEA 433	Gender and Health	
HEA 447	Income, Social Status, and Health	
HEA 450	Current Health Problems	
HEA 471	Immigrant and Refugee Health	
HEA 475	Independent Study	
<b>Related Area Requirements</b>		<b>18-19</b>
<b>Human Anatomy &amp; Physiology</b>		
<i>Select one option of the following:</i>		
Option A:		
HEA 213	Human Body Systems: Anatomy and Physiology for the Public Health Professional	
Option B:		
BIO 271 & 271L	Human Anatomy and Human Anatomy Laboratory	
Option C:		
BIO 277 & 277L	Human Physiology and Human Physiology Laboratory	
Option D:		
KIN 291 & 291L	Clinical Human Anatomy and Clinical Human Anatomy Laboratory	
Option E:		
KIN 292 & 292L	Clinical Human Physiology and Clinical Human Physiology Laboratory	

<b>Communication Studies</b>	
CST 105	Introduction to Communication Studies
or CST 341	Communication and Workplace Relationships
<b>English</b>	
ENG 101	Exploring Writing in College Contexts
<b>Math</b>	
MAT 115	Algebra for Precalculus *
or STA 108	Elementary Introduction to Probability and Statistics
or MAT 150	Precalculus I
<b>Nutrition</b>	
NTR 213	Introductory Nutrition
<b>Social Science</b>	
PSY 121	General Psychology
or SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology

\* Or a higher level mathematics course.

### Health Studies Online Concentration Requirements Graduation Requirements for the Concentration

- A grade of C (2.0) or better in all required HEA courses and health related courses.
- Overall GPA of 2.50
- Completion of all other requirements as described for degree and major (students may still be required to complete free elective credit hours to meet university degree requirements).

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Required</b>		<b>51</b>
HEA 308	Introduction to Public Health	
HEA 312	Public Health and Healthcare Systems in the US	
HEA 314	Public Health Diseases	
HEA 315	Epidemiology	
HEA 316	Environmental Health	
HEA 325	Public Health Data Analysis	
HEA 350	Race, Ethnicity, and Health	
HEA 433	Gender and Health	
HEA 447	Income, Social Status, and Health	
HEA 490	Capstone Experience	
<i>Select 18 credits of the following: *</i>		
HEA 113	Medical Terminology for Public Health Professionals	
HEA 201	Personal Health	
HEA 260	Human Sexuality	
HEA 307	Global Health	
HEA 310	Mental Health and Well-Being	
HEA 331	Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drugs	
HEA 334	Community Health	
HEA 412	Community Health Organizations	
HEA 450	Current Health Problems	
HEA 470	Adolescent Health	
HEA 471	Immigrant and Refugee Health	
HEA 475	Independent Study	
HDF 112	Families and Close Relationships **	

HDF 202	Infant and Child Development **
KIN 220	Lifetime Wellness **
MGT 300	Management of Organizations **
MGT 312	Organizational Behavior **
NUR 390	Culture and Health Care **
NTR 213	Introductory Nutrition **
PCS 218	Introduction to Mediation and Facilitation Practices **
PHI 220	Medical Ethics **
SOC 327	Race and Ethnic Relations **
WGS 250	An Introduction to Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies **

**Related Area Requirements 18-19***Human Anatomy & Physiology**Select one option of the following:*

## Option A:

HEA 213	Human Body Systems: Anatomy and Physiology for the Public Health Professional
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## Option B:

BIO 271 & 271L	Human Anatomy and Human Anatomy Laboratory (Option b)
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## Option C:

BIO 277 & 277L	Human Physiology and Human Physiology Laboratory
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## Option D:

KIN 291 & 291L	Clinical Human Anatomy and Clinical Human Anatomy Laboratory
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## Option E:

KIN 292 & 292L	Clinical Human Physiology and Clinical Human Physiology Laboratory
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**Communication Studies**

CST 105	Introduction to Communication Studies
or CST 341	Communication and Workplace Relationships

**English**

ENG 101	Exploring Writing in College Contexts
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**Information Systems**

ISM 110	Foundations for Analytics using Spreadsheets
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**Math**

MAT 115	Algebra for Precalculus <sup>1</sup>
or STA 108	Elementary Introduction to Probability and Statistics
or MAT 150	Precalculus I

**Social Science**

PSY 121	General Psychology
or SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology

\* A minimum of 12 credits must have an HEA prefix.

\*\*A maximum of 6 credits may be selected from these courses.

<sup>1</sup> Or a higher level mathematics course.**Requirements**

- A minimum of 12 credit hours as defined below.
- UNC Greensboro cumulative GPA of 3.30 or better or, for transfer students, cumulative GPA of 3.30 or better from all prior institutions.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Required</b>		
HSS 490	Senior Honors Project	3
<b>6 credits of Honors course work in the major</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>3 credits of Honors course work in the major or another area</b>		<b>3</b>

**Recognition**

Receive a Certificate of Disciplinary Honors in Public Health Education; have that accomplishment, along with the title of the Senior Honors Project, noted on the official transcript; and be recognized at a banquet held at the end of the spring semester.

**Honors Advisor**

Contact phe@uncg.edu for further information and guidance about Honors in Public Health Education.

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