

**The University of Oklahoma
College of Public Health
Department of Health Promotion Sciences**



Doctor of Philosophy in Health Promotion

Curriculum: (completion of a minimum of 60 hours post-masters)

I. Core: (9 hours)

HPS 6633 Health Promotion Theory I: Individuals and Small Groups
HPS 6643 Health Promotion Theory II: Communities, Organizations and Government
HPS 6403 Advanced Health Education (being revised)

II. Methods: (15 hours)

Required

HPS 6933 Qualitative Research Methods in Public Health
BSE 5173 Biostatistics Methods II or BSE 5663 Analysis of Frequency Data
HPS 6943 Advanced Program Evaluation

2 additional courses in either Qualitative or Quantitative Methods
(student will become specialist in either qualitative or quantitative methods)

Quantitative Methods Electives – (Prerequisite: BSE 5173 or BSE 5663)

BSE 5643 Regression Analysis (every other fall)
BSE 5653 Nonparametric Methods
BSE 6643 Survival Data Analysis (every other fall)
BSE 6663 Analysis of Multivariate Data (every other fall)
HPS 6853 Measurement in Health Education
HPS 6953 Advanced Research Methods in Social and Behavioral Sciences

Qualitative Methods Electives – (Prerequisite: HPS 6933)

HPS 6453 Focus Group Research
HPS xxxx Computer-assisted Analysis of Qualitative Data (under development)
HPS 6833 Social Marketing
SOC 5313 Qualitative Methods: Participant Observation
SOC 6232 Advanced Qualitative Analysis

III. Minor: (9 hours)

A minimum of three courses from one of the following core competencies from other areas of Public Health or an established discipline in the Social or Behavioral Sciences (i.e., Anthropology, Communication, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Social Work). Approved courses for the minor include:

Anthropology
ANTH 5223 Theories of Culture

ANTH 5123 Introduction to Socio-Cultural Anthropology
ANTH 5563 Medicine and Society
ANTH 5803 Theories of Identity
ANTH 5833 Theories of Social Organization

Communication

COMM 5263 Health Communication
COMM 5333 Organizational Communication
COMM 5343 Mass Communication Perspectives
COMM 5553 Persuasive Communication Campaigns
COMM 6453 Seminar in Social Influence
COMM 6433 Communication in Health Organizations

Political Science

PSC 5323 Problems in Public Policy (Health Policy)
PSC 5343 Public Policy and Inequality
PSC 5403 Mediating Institutions: Parties, Interest Groups, & Mass Media
PSC 5733 Contemporary Political Theory
PSC 6003 Political Science: Survey of a Discipline

Psychology

PSY 5103 Physiological Psychology
PSY 5413 Personality
PSY 5423 Social Psychology
PSY 5703 Survey of Industrial and Organizational Psychology
PSY 5203 Survey in Cognitive Psychology
PSY 6933 Seminar in Human Learning and Motivation

Sociology

SOC 5933 Seminar in Sociological Social Theory
SOC 6313 Seminar in Social Change
SOC 6363 Special Topic in Social Differentiation
SOC 5383 Seminar in Social Stratification
SOC 6903 Seminar in Issues in Sociological Theory

Social Work

SWK 5013 Profession of Social Work
HPS 5603 Human Behavior and the Social Environment I
HPS 5613 Human Behavior and the Social Environment II
SWK 5263 Human Behavior and the Social Environment
SWK 5313 Social Welfare in a Changing World

Occupational and Environmental Health

OEH 6252 Occupational & Environmental Risk Communication
OEH 5033 Environmental Issues
OEH 5233 Principles of Environmental Management
OEH 5723 Occupational & Environmental Hazards
OEH 5262 Occupational & Environmental Law

Biostatistics and Epidemiology - Epidemiology Track

BSE 5153 Clinical Trials
BSE 5193 Intermediate Epidemiological Methods
BSE 5303 Epidemiology of Infectious Disease
BSE 5363 Epidemiology & Prevention of Chronic Disease

BSE 6333 Pediatric Epidemiology (every other fall)

Health Administration and Policy
HAP 5183 Organizational Theory & Behavior
HAP 5413 Principles of Health Services Management
HAP 5613 Financial Management
HAP 5873 Health Information Systems
HAP 5303 Health Policy and Politics

IV. Substantive Area: 15 hours (i.e., health and aging; minority health, adolescent health, maternal and child health; international health; women's health) Courses to support these concentrations can be found throughout the university. Health and aging is an example of one area that could be sustained through the following courses.

BSE 5363 Epidemiology and Prevention of Chronic Diseases
BSE 6353 Epidemiology of Cardiovascular Disease
BSE 6363 Cancer Epidemiology and Prevention
HAP 5783 Public Policy and the Aged
HAP 5823 Long Term Care Administration
HPS 5383 Health and Illness in Old Age
HPS 5473 Psychology of Aging
HPS 5603 Human Behavior and the Social Environment I
HPS 5613 Human Behavior and the Social Environment II
HPS 5753 Psychosocial Aspects of Disability
HPS 5990 Minority Health and Aging
SWK 5010 Social Gerontology

V. Dissertation: (Minimum 12 hours)
HPS 6980 Research for Doctoral Dissertation

3 (4-hour) Written Comprehensive Exams. The comprehensive exam is composed of individual exams in three areas: Theory, Methods, and Substantive Area. The Theory and Methods portions of the exam are departmental exams. Any faculty member in the department can submit questions and serve as a reader. The Theory and Methods exams must have no fewer than three readers. The Substantive Area exam will be given by the student's dissertation committee. The five-member dissertation committee will be composed of 3 faculty members from HPS, 1 from COPH or the substantive area and 1 member from the minor area. The comprehensive exams will be given at least once a year at a time established by the department. In the event that a student fails part of the comprehensive exam, they will be required to retake that exam.

Dissertation Proposal Oral Defense – Once the student has successfully passed the written comprehensive exams, the student will complete and orally defend a dissertation proposal under the direction of the five-member dissertation committee.

Dissertation Oral Defense – The five-member dissertation committee will conduct the oral defense of the dissertation.