

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

## MPH Professional Option Academic Year 2011-2012

The Master of Public Health (MPH)-Professional Option is an interdisciplinary degree that provides education and training for professionals in any field who want to strengthen their general knowledge and skills in public health. Students in this “generalist,” practice-oriented curriculum will complete a common set of required courses and then have the opportunity to tailor their electives to meet their individual career goals. Students will gain knowledge, skills and approaches that emphasize the core functions of public health, including the assessment of health risks and current levels of disease; the development of public health policies; the assurance of health improvement through health promotion, disease prevention and health services; and the management of health systems and settings. Ultimately, graduates of this program will contribute to the expansion and enhancement of a competent public health workforce that is advancing the well-being of Texas’ citizens and beyond.

Applicants must meet one of the following eligibility requirements:

- Applicants with an advanced degree e.g., PhD, DO, MD, JD, MSN, MBA, PA; or
- Applicants currently enrolled in a master’s degree program other than an MPH; or
- Applicants currently enrolled in a doctoral degree program; or
- Three years of work experience in the health professions

### Professional Option Curriculum (42 Semester Credit Hours)

<b>REQUIRED COURSES:</b>			<b>24 SCH</b>
BIOS	5300	Biostatistics for Public Health 1	3 SCH
EOHS	5300	Environmental Health	3 SCH
EPID	5300	Principles of Epidemiology	3 SCH
HMAP	5300	Introduction to Health Management and Policy	3 SCH
HMAP	5320	Health Services Management	3 SCH
HMAP	6320	Leadership for Public Health	3 SCH
PHED	6360	Ethical Issues in Public Health	3 SCH
SABS	5300	Theoretical Foundations of Individual & Community Health	3 SCH
 <b>PRACTICE EXPERIENCE:</b>			 <b>3 SCH</b>
PHED	5397	Public Health Practice Experience*	3 SCH
<i>*Carefully designed experience at the student’s current place of employment or a traditional experience in a health-related organization</i>			
 <b>ELECTIVE COURSES:</b>			 <b>15 SCH</b>
 <b>CULMINATING EXPERIENCE:</b>			 <b>0 SCH</b>
PHED	5000	MPH Comprehensive Examination	0 SCH

## MPH – PROFESSIONAL OPTION

### RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE OF COURSEWORK\*

(ONE-YEAR CURRICULUM IS BASED ON SUMMER ADMISSIONS; TWO-YEAR CURRICULUM IS BASED ON FALL ADMISSIONS)

#### ONE-YEAR CURRICULUM

SUMMER SEMESTER 12 SCH (YEAR 1)		
BIOS	5300	Biostatistics for Public Health 1
HMAP	5300	Introduction to Health Management & Policy
EOHS	5300	Environmental Health
SABS	5300	Theoretical Foundations of Ind. & Comm. Hlth.
FALL SEMESTER 12 SCH (YEAR 1)		
EPID	5300	Principles of Epidemiology
HMAP	5320	Health Services Management
		Elective
		Elective
SPRING SEMESTER 9 SCH (YEAR 1)		
PHED	5397	Public Health Practice Experience
		Elective
		Elective
PHED	5000	Comprehensive Exam (CPH Exam)
SUMMER SEMESTER 9 SCH (YEAR 1)		
HMAP	6360	Ethical Issues in Public Health
HMAP	6320	Leadership for Public Health
		Elective

#### TWO-YEAR CURRICULUM

FALL SEMESTER 9 SCH (YEAR 1)		
BIOS	5300	Biostatistics for Public Health 1
HMAP	5300	Introduction to Health Management and Policy
HMAP	5320	Health Services Management
SPRING SEMESTER 9 SCH (YEAR 1)		
SABS	5300	Theoretical Foundations of Ind. & Comm. Hlth.
EPID	5300	Principles of Epidemiology
		Elective
SUMMER SEMESTER 9 SCH (YEAR 1)		
EOHS	5300	Environmental Health
HMAP	6360	Ethical Issues in Public Health
HMAP	6320	Leadership for Public Health
FALL SEMESTER 9 SCH (YEAR 2)		
PHED	5397	Public Health Practice Experience
		Elective
		Elective
SPRING SEMESTER 6 SCH (YEAR 2)		
		Elective
		Elective
PHED	5000	Comprehensive Exam (CPH Exam)

\*THE RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE OF COURSEWORK REFLECTS CLASSES THAT ARE GUARANTEED TO BE OFFERED IN THE ABOVE STATED SEMESTERS. STUDENTS WHO ADHERE TO THE SEQUENCE OF COURSEWORK RECOMMENDED IN THE 1 OR 2 YEAR CURRICULUM PLAN ARE GUARANTEED TO GRADUATE WITHIN THE TIME FRAME INDICATED ABOVE.

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### RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE OF COURSEWORK\*

(BASED ON FALL ADMISSIONS)

### THREE-YEAR CURRICULUM

FALL SEMESTER		6 SCH	(YEAR 1)
EPID	5300	Principles of Epidemiology	
HMAP	5300	Introduction to Health Management & Policy	
SPRING SEMESTER		6 SCH	(YEAR 1)
BIOS	5300	Biostatistics for Public Health 1	
SABS	5300	Theoretical Foundations of Ind. & Comm. Hlth.	
SUMMER SEMESTER		6 SCH	(YEAR 1)
HMAP	6360	Ethical Issues in Public Health	
HMAP	6320	Leadership for Public Health	
FALL SEMESTER		6 SCH	(YEAR 2)
EOHS	5300	Environmental Health	
HMAP	5320	Health Services Management	
SPRING SEMESTER		3 SCH	(YEAR 2)
		Elective	
PHED	5000	Comprehensive Exam (CPH Exam)	
SUMMER SEMESTER		3 SCH	(YEAR 2)
		Elective	
FALL SEMESTER		6 SCH	(YEAR 3)
PHED	5397	Public Health Practice Experience	
		Elective	
SPRING SEMESTER		6 SCH	(YEAR 3)
		Elective	
		Elective	

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