



Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health with specialization in **Health Promotion and Disease Prevention.**  
**Health Disparities Track**

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**For Students Admitted Fall 2020**

**0. Health Promotion Prerequisite Courses – (9) Credits of required coursework. Required for Non-MPH students.**

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	HOURS	TERM	GRADE	PREREQUISITES
PHC 6065	Health Statistics (or Biostatistics I PHC6052)	3			Undergraduate statistics course
PHC 6602	Theoretical Foundations of Health Promotion	3			
PHC 6706	Research Methods in Public Health	3			

**I. Public Health Shared Core Courses – (12) Credits of required coursework. Must earn a grade of B or better.**

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	HOURS	TERM	GRADE	PREREQUISITES
PHC 6601	Emerging Issues in Public Health	3			PHC 6709 or equivalent
PHC 6091	Biostatistics 2	3			PHC6065 or 6052
PHC 7705	Methods in Evidence Based Public Health	3			PHC 6065
PHC 7981	Research Concepts and Proposal Development	3			PHC 6718 or 6090 or 6091

**II. HPDP Methods\* Courses – (12) credits of required coursework. Must earn a grade of B or better. 12 preferred**

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	HOURS	TERM	GRADE	PREREQUISITES
PHC 6055	Data Management and Applied Epi Analysis	3			PHC6065 or PHC6052
PHC 7723	Survey Research in Public Health	3			PHC6065 or 6052; PHC 6146
PHC 7702	Advanced Measurement in Public Health	3			PHC 6065 or 6052
PHC 7198	Advanced Qualitative Methods in Public Health	3			

**III. HPDP Content Courses – (18) credits of required coursework. Must earn a grade of B or better.**

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	HOURS	TERM	GRADE	PREREQUISITES
PHC 6443	Ethical Issues in Public Health	3			
PHC 7932	Health Disparities Training and Development Seminar	3			Doctoral Standing
PHC 7017	Advanced Epidemiology of Health Disparities	3			Doctoral Standing
PHC 7584	Advanced Research Designs	3			PHC 6602
PHC 7587	Theory Development in Health Promotion	3			Doctoral Standing
PHC 7588	History and Foundations of Public Health	3			

**IV. HPDP Secondary Courses – (9) credits of advised graduate secondary courses approved by Major Professor.**

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	HOURS	TERM	GRADE	APPROVED BY
PHC 7466	Policy and Advocacy in Global Health Disparities	3			
PHC 7733	Theoretical Paradigms in Health Disparities Research	3			

**V. HPDP Pre-dissertation or Dissertation–approved by Major Professor (24 credits)**

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	HOURS	TERM	GRADE
PHC 7982	Pre-Dissertation or	Variable		
PHC 7980	Dissertation (ONLY 15 credits funded by UGS)	Minimum 15		

**All courses in boxes I, II, III, IV, and V are required.**  
**TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION IS 75 CREDIT HOURS.**

## Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health Major in Health Promotion and Disease Prevention–Health Disparities Track

### Graduation Requirements:

1. Satisfy all requirements for Ph.D. in Public Health with a specialization in Health Promotion and Disease Prevention.
2. Complete a minimum of 75 credit hours of graduate level coursework in approved program.
3. Earn a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 in all coursework completed.
4. Complete Forms D1, D2, D3, and D5 (Dissertation Approval Forms) as per University Graduate School guidelines and deadlines. Forms can be accessed at <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/students/#Studentforms>
5. Resolve incomplete grades prior to graduation. Resolve failing grades of required courses prior to graduation.
6. Meet with Major Professor to receive Graduation Check prior to final semester.
7. Apply for graduation at the Registrar's Office during registration of final semester. (See University Catalog for most current deadlines).
8. Complete Robert Stempel College of Public Health and Social Work Exit Survey prior to graduation.
9. All work applicable to the degree must be completed within nine (9) years of first enrollment in the doctoral program.

**Credit Requirements:** Programs leading to a doctoral degree require at least 75 semester graduate credit hours beyond the bachelor's degree and a minimum of 15 credit hours of dissertation. These shall include a minimum of 30 credit hours earned in academic courses that are part of the doctoral program. Doctoral programs normally make use of courses at the 6000 level and above.

**Candidacy Examination:** Every doctoral degree program (excluding professional doctorates) must require each student to pass a written and/or oral candidacy examination (Comprehensive Examination) before he or she may be admitted to candidacy for the doctoral degree.

**Dissertation:** A dissertation is required of all candidates for a doctoral degree (excluding professional doctoral degrees). All of the University policies and procedures governing dissertations shall apply including the requirement that the dissertation must be defended publicly at the announced time and place.

**Find the Stempel College Graduate Catalog here:**

[https://catalog.fiu.edu/2020\\_2021/graduate/Robert Stempel College of Public Health and Social Work/GD Health Promotion and Disease Prevention.pdf](https://catalog.fiu.edu/2020_2021/graduate/Robert%20Stempel%20College%20of%20Public%20Health%20and%20Social%20Work/GD%20Health%20Promotion%20and%20Disease%20Prevention.pdf)

### Transfer Credits:

Doctoral programs may accept up to 20% of the required total coursework, subject to approval of the Program Director, of graduate credit earned from another institution beyond a bachelor's degree. An exception to the 20% limitation is made for courses contained within an earned master's or doctoral degree. For such courses, the maximum is one credit fewer than half of the total credits required for the program. (See the complete policy <https://policies.fiu.edu/files/128.pdf> )

## PHD COURSE REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

Students must get approval from their Major Professor or PhD Health Disparities Track Coordinator, Dr. Sanchez via email for courses to take each semester. Please note that a D1 must be fully approved in order for the Major Professor to approve courses. Include Marie Alvarez ([maalvare@fiu.edu](mailto:maalvare@fiu.edu) ) in the email requests so she can provide access to register upon approval. The email should include Panther ID# along with the course #s. Independent Study, Pre-Dissertation, and Dissertation Credits must include the number of credits.

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