

Certificate in Public Health Science

Admission

In order to be admitted into the certificate program, the applicant must:

- Be admitted to Wichita State University in a degree program or in nondegree seeking A status. All policies relative to admissions apply. International students will not be issued an I-20 for certificate programs alone. International students may obtain this certificate only while concurrently pursuing an undergraduate degree.
- Have a minimum overall GPA of 2.000 (on a 4.000 scale).

Program Requirements

An undergraduate certificate in public health science (UGC-PHS) allows undergraduate students and working professionals to expand their knowledge in the fundamental concepts of public health. The UGC-PHS introduces the field and practice of public health.

The UGC-PHS comprises 12 total credit hours. Students who complete this certificate will have earned 12 of the required 51 program credit hours towards a Bachelor of Science in health management. This is equivalent to one full-time semester of coursework. It may be completed entirely online by selecting online-only course options. The certificate may also be pursued concurrently with degree programs such as anthropology, biology, business management, general business, premed, social work and clinical disciplines in the College of Health Professions.

An overall grade point average of at least 2.000 for all courses comprising the certificate program, and no grade below C, is required to earn the certificate.

Course	Title	Hours
Required Course		
PHS 101	Introduction to Public Health	3
Electives		
Select a total of 9 credit hours from the following		9
PHS 325	Introduction to Epidemiology	
PHS 333	Organizational Behavior and Leadership in Health Organizations	
PHS 344	The Role of Culture in Health and Health Care	
PHS 327	Introduction to Global Health Issues	
PHS 410	Health Communication	
PHS 413	Introduction to Social and Behavioral Aspects of Public Health	
PHS 416	Introduction to Environmental Health	
HP 570BA	Badge: Care of Populations - Public Health Science	
HP 570BB	Badge: Care of Populations - Care Leadership & Systems Thinking	
HP 570BC	Badge: Care of Populations - Financial Planning & Management	
HP 570BD	Badge: Care of Populations - Community Dimensions of Practice	
HP 570BE	Badge: Care of Populations - Cultural Competency	

HP 570BF	Badge: Care of Populations - Policy Development & Program Planning
PHS 624	Community Development Methods
PHS 644	Program Planning and Evaluation
Total Credit Hours	
	12

Assessment Measure: Students must complete a reflection describing how the certificate expanded their knowledge of the field and practice of public health.