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City Colleges of Chicago

Transfer Guide

BS in Public Health

Program Overview

The Department of Public Health offers a fully online four-year Bachelor of Science in Public Health (BSPH) degree. The Bachelor of Science in Public Health degree program draws heavily from a sound knowledge of liberal arts, the medical sciences, communications, social determinants of health, and the core disciplines of public health (biostatistics, epidemiology, environmental and occupational health, health policy and administration, and social and behavioral sciences). The curriculum is a model of interdisciplinary education because it entails courses from various departments within and outside of the College of Health Sciences. The curriculum permits the close interaction of students enrolled in other health sciences disciplines (pre-occupational therapy, nursing, and health information administration), thereby enhancing the students' ability to function together as members of a health and wellness team. The program focuses on general and urban health, emphasizing social determinants of health, health inequities, health promotion, education, data analytics, and health policy and management.

Program Mission

The mission of Public Health at Chicago State University (CSU) is to deliver accessible, competency-based, high-quality education and experiences that prepare a culturally diverse student body to:

- Advance population health and equity through evidence-informed public health practice.
- Innovate and lead within ever-evolving health information management and technology systems.
- Uphold the highest standards of integrity, confidentiality, and ethical stewardship of health data, which drives our
 curricula, experiential learning, community engagement, and scholarship, ensuring graduates are ready to improve health
 outcomes and information governance locally and globally.

Program Vision

Public Health at CSU aspires to be a model of excellence, recognized for pioneering interdisciplinary education that:

- Empowers graduates to shape healthier, more equitable communities through leadership in public health.
- Translates robust data and analytics into policies and practices that enhance individual and population well-being.
- Fosters innovation in curriculum and technology to anticipate the needs of tomorrow's health workforce.
- By 2030, our programs will serve as a catalyst for transformative change, locally and around the world.

Program Goals

- 1. Engage with community organizations and public health associations to provide students and faculty the opportunity to participate in service learning at the local, state, national, and international levels.
- 2. Provide an accessible, competency-based, high-quality education offered by qualified and experienced public health professionals and determined by the communities and students served.
- 3. Create a supporting environment for faculty and students to engage in scholarships to advance the field of public health.



Articulation Crosswalk for BS in Public Health

Chicago City Colleges Associate in Arts AA (0210)			Chicago State University BS in Public Health		
Course #	Title	Credit Hours	Course #	Title	Credit Hours
ENGLISH 101	Composition	3	ENG 1270 or 1230	Composition I	3
ENGLISH 102	Composition	3	ENG 1280 or 1240	Composition II	3
SPEECH 101	Fundamentals of Speech Communication	3	CMAT 2030	Basic Speech Communications	3
Fine Arts*	IAI Fine Arts	3	Fine Arts	IAI Fine Arts	3
Humanities*	IAI Humanities	3	Humanities	IAI Humanities	3
Social Science*	IAI Social Science	3	Social Science	IAI Social Science	3
Social Science*	IAI Social Science	3	Social Science	IAI Social Science	3
Physical Science** CHEM 201	IAI Physical Science	3	Physical Science	IAI Physical Science	3
Recomm	ended General Education Courses	5		•	
MATH 125	Introductory Statistics	3	MATH 1600	Basic Probability and Statistics	3
BIOLOGY 121	Life Science	5***	BIOL 1701	Introduction to Biology I	4 (5)
Philosophy	IAI Humanities or Fine Arts	3	Philosophy	IAI Humanities or Fine Arts	3
PSYCH 201	General Psychology	3	PSYC 1100	Introduction to Psychology	3
	Recommended Electives				
CHW 110	Health and Global Societies	3	HSC 3328 (2000)	Global Health	3
CHW 129	Substance Abuse Issues	3	HSC 2350	Substance Use and Public Health	3
Elective (Any)-1	Elective	3	Elective	Elective	3
Elective (Any) -2	Elective	3	Elective	Elective	3
Elective (Any) -3	Elective	3	Elective	Elective	3
Elective (Any) -4	Elective	3	Elective	Elective	3

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Elective (Any) -5	Elective	3	Elective	Elective	3
Elective (Any) -6	Elective	3	Elective	Elective	3
Total Credit Hours Taken at CCC		61	Total Credits Hours Transferred to CSU		61

^{*}One course must satisfy the CCC Human Diversity (HD) requirement.

^{***}Math courses and science lab courses that equal 4 credit hours at City Colleges transfer as such to CSU.

Courses required at Chicago State University for BS	in Public Health			
		Credit		
		Hours		
H SC 2265(2020) - Complementary and Integrated Medicine				
H SC 3200 - Research Methods		3		
H SC 3313(2010) - Health Disparities		3		
H SC 3316 (2030) - Human Diseases		3		
H SC 3319 (1160) - Intro to Public Health		3		
H SC 3312 - Current Topics H SC		3		
H SC 3311 - Spec Topics in A H		3		
H SC 4414 - Entrepreneurship in Health Care		3		
H SC 3315 (2040) - Health Behavior and Promotion		3		
H SC 4418 - Basic Epidemiology		3		
H SC 4424 - Program Planning & Evaluation		3		
H SC 3375 - Health Policy and Admin		3		
H SC 3450 - Public Health Communication		3		
H SC 4414 - Entrepreneurship in Health Care		3		
H SC 4423 (3230) - Introduction to Environmental Health		3		
H SC 4425 - Public Health Capstone		3		
Elective		3		
Elective: (H SC 4420/2050 - Introduction to Urban Health)		3		
Elective		3		
Elective		3		
	CSU Completion Credit Hours	60		
	CCC Transfer Credit Hours	61		
	CSU Completion Credit Hours	60		
	Total Degree Credit Hours	121		

^{***}One science course must include a lab.