SDSU | Interdisciplinary Studies in Three Departments Major

Public Health
P H

Approved Courses for IS3D Students

Discipline Description

The major prepares students to develop, implement, and assess public health programs conducted in varied settings with diverse populations, and aims to reduce threats to public health. The major prepares students for entry-level positions in a variety of settings, including government agencies, private/voluntary agencies, hospitals, clinics, and international programs. Students are exposed to the disciplines of epidemiology, environmental health, occupational health, health services administration, and behavioral science.

Lower Division Courses (choose 6 units)

Approved lower division PH courses include the following (number in parenthesis indicates course units):

P H 101 - Introduction to Public Health (3) (*Prerequisite for <u>many</u> upper division PH courses*)
P H 233 - Health Equity (3) [Prerequisite: PH 101]
P H 250 - Infections and Epidemics (3)[GE]
P H 292 - History of Public Health (3) (*Prerequisite for <u>some</u> upper division PH courses*)

Upper Division Courses (choose 9)

The following upper division PH courses are approved given the student has completed the necessary prerequisites as listed in the course catalog. Please note course offerings vary by semester, and not all courses will be available at a given time. Approved upper division PH courses include the following (number in parenthesis indicates course units):

P H 302 - Epidemiology of Communicable and Chronic Disease (3) [Prerequisite: PH 101, 292]

P H 452 - Health Impacts of Climate Change (3) [Prerequisites: PH 101 and PH 292]

P H 304 - Environment and Public Health (3)
P H 330 - Plagues Through the Ages (3)[GE]
P H 353 - Human Sexuality and Disease (3)[GE]

P H 362 - Global Health (3)[GE]
P H 395 - Emerging Topics in Public Health (3)
P H 451 - Public Health and Food Safety (3)

P H 480 - Peer Health Education (2-3) [See the following link for more information about this course and requirements for becoming an SDSU Peer Health Educator: https://sacd.sdsu.edu/cps/get-involved/peer-education-program]
P H 496 - Experimental Topics (1-4) [topics vary by semester]
GEN S 340 - Confronting HIV/AIDS (3)[GE]

Other Information

Please contact the Public Health Academic Advisor regarding additional course options that may be available to IS3D students.

For Public Health Academic Advisor information, please click here.

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