

PUBLIC HEALTH - MINOR

College of Public Health
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About This Program

The Public Health minor integrates key aspects of preventing disease, prolonging life and promoting health through the organized efforts and informed choices of society, organizations, communities and individuals. Students who choose to augment their major by adding the public health minor increase their awareness of emerging issues in public health, the social and behavioral aspects of preventing disease, environmental health concepts, the changing U.S. health care system and the monitoring of diseases in the community through applied public health research.

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Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
 - Fully online
 - In person
- **Location:**
 - Kent Campus

Admission Requirements

Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor's degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

Program Requirements

Minor Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Minor Requirements		
PH 10001	INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC HEALTH	3
PH 20001	ESSENTIALS OF EPIDEMIOLOGY	3
PH 44000	HEALTH DISPARITIES (DIVD) (WIC)	3
Public Health (PH) Lower-Division Elective (10000 or 20000 level)		3
Public Health (PH) Upper-Division Electives (30000 or 40000 level)		6
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		18

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Minor GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
2.000	2.000

- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.

- Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Understand the history and philosophy of public health, as well as its core values, concepts and functions across the globe and in society.
2. Understand the basic concepts, methods and tools of public health data collection, use and analysis; in addition to why evidence-based approaches are an essential part of public health practice.
3. Understand the socio-economic, behavioral, biological, environmental and other factors that impact human health and contribute to health disparities.