

Public Health Major (48-51 hours)

The Anderson University Public Health program addresses the health of populations and communities through instruction, service-learning, and community-based research, and is grounded in a background of humanities, social sciences, and the liberal arts. The public health program is designed to provide students with the opportunity to explore and acquire specialized knowledge and skills needed to address current and emerging public health issues within the public and private healthcare sectors. Students can expect to find employment in for-profit institutions, not-for-profit institutions, health care organizations, and government agencies.

This interdisciplinary program will offer two pathways. The first will be a Bachelor of Arts in Public Health (BAPH) with a concentration in the Sociological and Behavioral Context of Health. This track will appeal to those students who are seeking to focus on the socio-behavioral, socio-economic, and health systems contexts that impact public health. Graduates can expect to be employed in areas such as behavioral health, psychology, missions, health promotion and education, health policy and administration, and social marketing.

The second pathway will be in the natural sciences, offering a Bachelor of Science in Public Health degree (BSPH). This track is for students wanting to engage in public health practice through research, epidemiology, or environmental services. Graduates from this track will be prepared for jobs such as data analysts, biostatisticians, environmental/sanitation specialists, epidemiologists, missions, health promotion and education, medicine, and research. Students interested in the BSPH track will receive a board-based natural science curriculum.

For entry and continuance in the public health program, all students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better. To advance, a minimum grade of C or better must be earned in each public health course, as well as the courses upon which they build in each concentration (BA: SOCI 2020, SOWK 2000; BS: BIOL 2410, 2420, 2230).

Major Requirements:

31 credit hours from:

- PSYC 2000, General Psychology, 3 credit hours
- PUBH/BIOL 2040 – Personal & Community Health, 3 credit hours
- BIOL 2070 – Human and the Environment, 4 credit hours
- MATH 2120 – Introductory Statistics with Applications, 4 credit hours
- PUBH 3020 – Introduction to Epidemiology, 3 credit hours
- PUBH/SOCI 3010/PSYC 3010 – Social Psychology, 4 credit hours (WI)
- PUBH/SOCI 3700 – Introduction to Social Research, 4 credit hours
- PUBH/SOCI/SOWK 4350 – Program Planning and Grant Writing, 3 credit hours
- PUBH 4360 – Health Policy, 3 credit hours

Integrated Senior Capstone:

- PUBH/SOCI 4810 -Community Health Internship, 3 credit hours

B.A. - 6 credit hours from:

- SOCI 2020, Social Problems, 3 credit hours
- PUBH 3260, Sociology of Health and Illness, 3 credit hours or SOCI 2100 Family in Global and Diverse Context, 3 credit hours **OR**
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OR

B.S. - 12 credit hours from:

- BIOL 2410, Anatomy and Physiology I, 4 credit hours
- BIOL 2420, Anatomy and Physiology II, 4 credit hours
- BIOL 2230, Microbes & Disease, 4 credit hours

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Selected Electives (2-4 hours)

- BIOL 2010, Medical Terminology, 2 credit hours
- BSNS 4400, Social Media, 3 credit hours
- PUBH/BIOL 3510, Bioethics, 2 credit hours
- CHEM 1000, Introduction to Chemistry, 4 credit hours
- COMM 3370 (fall) or BSNS 4400 (semII)
- ECON 2010, Principles of Macroeconomics, 3 credit hours
- ECON 2020, Principles of Microeconomics, 3 credit hours
- ECON 3110, Public Finance, 3 credit hours
- NURS 1210, Nutrition for Healthy Living, 2 credit hours
- POSC 2200, Public Policy, 3 credit hours
- PSYC 2100, Interpersonal Relationships, 4 credit hours
- PSYC 3450, Health Psychology, 4 credit hours
- SOCI 3100, Human Sexuality, 3 credit hours
- SOCI 3400, Race and Ethnicity in America, 3 credit hours
- SPAN 3101, Spanish for Health Care, 4 credit hours

Recommended liberal arts:

SOCI 2450 (F2 Civic Discourse and Critical Reasoning)

PSYC 3210 (Scientific Way of Knowing)

Proposed course sequence:

- Freshman: PUBH 2040, BIOL 2070, SOCI 2100
- Sophomore: MATH 2120, PSYC 2000, PUBH 3010, SOCI 3100
- Junior: PUBH 3510, 3700, 3020, 3260
- Senior: PUBH 4350, 4810, 4360

Public Health B.A. Track Major Suggested Course Sequence

SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2	
PUBH 2040	3 Hours	BIOL 2070	4 Hours
ENGL 1100/ENGL 1110	3-4 Hours	SOCI 2100	3 Hours
Foreign Language (Spanish Suggested)	4 Hours	ENGL 1120	3 Hours
COMM 1000	3 Hours	NURS 1210 (Personal Wellness)	2-3 Hours
LART 1050	1 Hour	Additional Class	3 hours
14-15		15-16	

SEMESTER 3		SEMESTER 4	
PSYC 2000	3 hours	PUBH 3010	4 hours
MATH 2120	4 hours	SOCI 3100	3 hours
Additional class	3 hours	Additional Class	3 hours
Civic Way of Knowing	3 hours	Global/Intercultural Ways of Knowing	3 hours
Aesthetic Ways of Knowing	3 hours	BIBL 2000	3 hours
16		16	

SEMESTER 5		SEMESTER 6	
PUBH 3700	4 hours	PUBH 3020	3 hours
PUBH 3510 (Elective)	3 hours	PUBH 3260 (Elective)	4 hours
PUBH Selected Elective	2-4 hours	SOCI 2450 (Civic Discourse)recommended	3 hours
Scientific Ways of Knowing (PSYC 3210 Suggested)	4 hours	Christian Ways of Knowing	3 hours
13-15		13	

SEMESTER 7		SEMESTER 8	
PUBH 4350	3 hours	PUBH 4360	3 hours
PUBH 4810	3 hours	Additional Class	3 hours
PSYC 3450 (recommend)	4 hours	Additional Class	3 hours
Additional Class	3 hours	Additional Class	3 hours
13		12	

112-115 total hours (120 needed)

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 Senior: PUBH 4350, 4810, 4360

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SEMESTER 7		SEMESTER 8	
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PUBH 4810	3 hours	Additional Class	3 hours
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106-108 total hours (120 needed)

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