

Population Health - Public Health Emphasis, BS

Program Description

The Utah Tech Population Health Program develops a comprehensive framework that prepares students to successfully enter a career in the health industry or attend graduate school through an active learning environment that supports inter-professional education, innovative thinking, community engagement, and evidence-based practices.

Emphases within this degree program include:

- Healthcare Administration
- Public Health
- Long-Term Care

Program Curriculum

120 credits

Utah Tech General Education Requirements

All Utah Tech General Education requirements must be fulfilled. A previously earned degree may fulfill those requirements, but courses must be equivalent to Utah Tech's minimum General Education standards in American Institutions, English, and Mathematics.

General Education Core Requirements (catalog.utahtech.edu/programs/generaleducation/#gerequirementstext)

Code	Title	Hours
English		3-7
Mathematics		3-5
American Institutions		3-6
Life Sciences		3-10
Physical Sciences		3-5
Fine Arts		3
Literature/Humanities		3
Social & Behavioral Sciences		3

Population Health Core Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Choose one (1) of the following:		
BIOL 1200	Human Biology (LS)	3-9
or BIOL 2320 + BIOL 2325 + BIOL 2420 + BIOL 2425		
Choose one (1) of the following:		
CHEM 1010	Introduction to Chemistry (PS)	3-5
or CHEM 1110 + CHEM 1115, or CHEM 1150 + CHEM 1155, or CHEM 1210 + CHEM 1215		
FSHD 1500	Human Development Lifespan (SS, GC)	3
or PSY 1100	Human Development Through Lifespan (SS, GC)	
Choose one (1) of the following:		
MATH 1040	Introduction to Statistics (MA)	3
or STAT 2040	Business Statistics	
Complete the following courses:		
FSHD 1020	Sci Foundations of Nutrition (LS)	3
HLOC 1000	Medical Terminology	2
ISA 2010	Introduction to Business Data Analytics	3
HLTH 2010	Health & Disease	3

HLTH 3010	Population & Community Health	3
HLTH 3020	U.S. & World Health Systems	3
HLTH 3750	Health Determinants & Disparities	3
HLTH 4010	Biostatistics & Epidemiology	3
HLTH 4030	Leadership & Group Dynamics	3
HLTH 4400	Health Law & Ethics	3
HLTH 4600	Health Economics	3
HLTH 4910	Population Health Capstone	3
HLTH 4800	Health Policy	3
MGMT 3300	Human Resource Management	3
ISA 3020	SQL & Python for Analytics	3
or MATH 2050	Applied Statistics with Programming	
MGMT 3400	Management & Organizations	3

Public Health Emphasis Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
COMM 3200	Community Health Communication	3
ENGL 3130	Grant and Proposal Writing (ALCS)	3
HLTH 3040	Environmental Health	3
HLTH 3310	Health Promotion	3
HLTH 4020	Research Methodology in Population Health	3
HLTH 4920R	Population Health Internship	3

Public Health Emphasis Required Electives

Code	Title	Hours
Complete 11 credits from the following:		
COMM 3180	Provider and Patient Relations	3
or COMM 3230	Health Communication	
HLTH 2700	Consumer Health Issues	3
HLTH 3385	Healthcare Quality and Safety	3
HLTH 3400	Healthcare Project Management	3
HLTH 3500	Health Organization Financial Analysis	3
HLTH 3600	Patient Navigation	3
HLTH 3800	Genetics & Disease	3
HLTH 3900	Infectious Disease	3
HLTH 4300	Healthcare Marketing	3
HLTH 4500	Global Health	3
HLTH 4790	Management of Healthcare Organizations & Strategy	3
ISA 2050	Management Information Systems	3
PSY 2800	Human Sexuality in a Diverse Society (SS, GC)	3

Graduation Requirements

1. Complete a minimum of 120 college-level credits (1000 and above).
 2. Complete at least 40 upper-division credits (3000 and above).
 3. Complete at least 30 upper-division credits at Utah Tech for institutional residency.
 4. Cumulative GPA 2.0 or higher.
 5. Minimum C- grade in all required courses and required elective courses.
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Graduation Plan for Incoming Freshmen

1st Year

Fall Semester	Hours Spring Semester	Hours
BIOL 1200	3 ENGL 2010	3
HLTH 2010	3 ISA 2010	3
ENGL 1010	3 MATH 1040	3
FSDH 1500 or PSY 1100	3 CHEM 1010	3
Elective (MATH 0980 if needed)	3 General Education (Fine Arts) (catalog.utahtech.edu/programs/generaleducation/#gerequirementstext)	3
	15	15

2nd Year

Fall Semester	Hours Spring Semester	Hours
HLOC 1000	2 COMM 3200	3
HLTH 3010	3 FSDH 1020	3
HLTH 3020	3 General Education (Literature / Humanities) (catalog.utahtech.edu/programs/generaleducation/#gerequirementstext)	3
Public Health Elective Course	3 General Education (American Institutions) (catalog.utahtech.edu/programs/generaleducation/#gerequirementstext)	3
General Elective	3 General Elective	3
	14	15

3rd Year

Fall Semester	Hours Spring Semester	Hours
MGMT 3300	3 HLTH 4010	3
ISA 3020 (Or MATH 2050)	3 HLTH 3040	3
Public Health Elective Course	3 HLTH 3750	3
Public Health Elective Course	3 HLTH 4020	3
General Elective	3 MGMT 3400 or 3700	3
	15	15

4th Year

Fall Semester	Hours Spring Semester	Hours
HLTH 3310	3 HLTH 4600	3
HLTH 4030	3 HLTH 4800	3
HLTH 4400	3 HLTH 4920R	3
Public Health Elective Course	3 ENGL 3130	3
HLTH 4910	3	
	15	12

Total Hours 116

Graduation Plan for Pre-Clinician Students

1st Year

Fall Semester	Hours Spring Semester	Hours
BIOL 2320 & BIOL 2325	5 BIOL 2420 & BIOL 2425	4
ENGL 1010	3 ENGL 2010	3

CHEM 1210 & CHEM 1215	5 FSHD 1020	3
MATH 1040 or STAT 2040	3 FSHD 1500 or PSY 1100	3
	General Education (Fine Arts) (catalog.utahtech.edu/programs/generaleducation/#gerequirementstext)	3
	16	16
2nd Year		
Fall Semester	Hours Spring Semester	Hours
HLTH 2010	3 COMM 3200	3
HLTH 3010	3 General Education (Literature / Humanities) (catalog.utahtech.edu/programs/generaleducation/#gerequirementstext)	3
HLOC 1000	2 General Education (American Institutions) (catalog.utahtech.edu/programs/generaleducation/#gerequirementstext)	3
HLTH 3020	3 General Elective(s)	5
ISA 2010	3	
	14	14
3rd Year		
Fall Semester	Hours Spring Semester	Hours
MGMT 3300	3 HLTH 4010	3
ISA 3020 or MATH 2050	3 HLTH 3040	3
Public Health Elective Course	3 HLTH 3750	3
Public Health Elective Course	3 HLTH 4020	3
General Elective	3 MGMT 3400 or 3700	3
	15	15
4th Year		
Fall Semester	Hours Spring Semester	Hours
ENGL 3130	3 HLTH 4600	3
HLTH 3310	3 HLTH 4800	3
HLTH 4030	3 HLTH 4910	3
HLTH 4400	3 HLTH 4920R	3
Public Health Elective Course	3 Public Health Elective Course	3
	15	15

Total Hours 120

BS Population Health Program Learning Outcomes

At the successful conclusion of this program, students will be able to:

1. Evaluate the roles and responsibilities of organizations, professionals, clinicians, and individuals and their ability to influence the measures of population health.
2. Integrate information and knowledge from a variety of disciplines to evaluate selected measures of population health and develop a plan for necessary interventions for improvement.
3. Demonstrate the application of knowledge and skills essential for the successful operation of health organizations within the domains of transformation, execution, and people.
4. Practice personal responsibility to improve population health through active engagement in real-world challenges in local, national, and global settings using principles of cultural knowledge and competence, ethical reasoning, and life-long learning.
5. Construct comprehensive solutions to population health issues in a collaborative environment while demonstrating competency of inquiry and analysis, critical and creative thinking, written and oral communication, quantitative literacy, and information literacy.