

PUBLIC HEALTH MAJOR

Program Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
Degree Core Requirements		
HNFE 1004	Foods, Nutrition And Exercise	3
PHS 1514	Personal Health	3
PHS 2004	Introduction to Public Health	3
HNFE 2664	Behavioral Theory in Health Promotion	3
PHS 3014	Introduction to Environmental Health	3
PHS 3074	Public Health Professional and Practicum Prep	1
PHS 3534	Drug Education	3
PHS 3634	Epidemiologic Concepts of Health and Disease	3
SOC 4704	Medical Sociology	3
or PHS 3654	Equity in Rural Health	
PHS 4044	Public Health Policy and Administration	3
PHS 4054	Concepts in One Health	3
PHS 4064	Modeling Infectious Diseases	3
PHS 4074	Practicum in Public Health	2
ADV 2134	Introduction to Health Communication	3
or ADV 4324	Issues in Health Communication	
Subtotal		39
Major Requirements		
PHS 1004	Public Health First Year Experience	1
PHS 4014	Public Health Program Planning and Evaluation	3
Free Electives		32
Subtotal		36
Pathways to General Education		
<i>Pathways Concept 1 - Discourse</i>		
ENGL 1105	First-Year Writing (Pathway 1f (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G01F))	3
ENGL 1106	First-Year Writing (Pathway 1f (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G01F))	3
Pathway 1a (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G01A)		3
<i>Pathways Concept 2 - Critical Thinking in the Humanities</i>		
Pathway 2 (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G02)		6
<i>Pathways Concept 3 - Reasoning in the Social Sciences</i>		
PSYC 1004	Introductory Psychology (Pathway 3 (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G03))	3
SOC 1004	Introductory Sociology (Pathway 3 (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G03))	3
<i>Pathways Concept 4 - Reasoning in the Natural Sciences</i>		
BIOL 1105	Principles of Biology (Pathway 4 (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G04))	3

BIOL 1106	Principles of Biology (Pathway 4 (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G04))	3
<i>Pathways Concept 5 - Quantitative and Computational Thinking</i>		
MATH 1014	Precalculus with Transcendental Functions (Pathway 5f (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G05F))	6
STAT 3604	Statistics for Social Science (Pathway 5a (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G05A))	3
or STAT 3615	Biological Statistics	
Pathway 5f (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G05F)		3
<i>Pathways Concept 6 - Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts</i>		
Pathway 6a (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G06A)		3
Pathway 6d (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G06D)		3
<i>Pathways Concept 7 - Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States</i>		
Pathway 7 (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G07)		3
Total Credits		120

Satisfactory Progress Toward Degree

1. After having attempted 36 semester credits (including transfer, advanced placement, and advanced standing) students must have passed at least 12 semester credits of Pathways to General Education.
2. After having attempted 72 semester credits (including transfer, advanced placement and advanced standing) students must have an in major GPA of 2.0 or higher and must have successfully completed PHS 1514, PHS 2004, HNFE 1004, HNFE 2664 and STAT 3604/STAT 3615.
3. After having attempted 96 semester credits (including transfer, advanced placement and advanced standing) students must have an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher and must have successfully completed PHS 3534, PHS 3634, PHS 3014 and PHS 4014.

Graduation Requirements

Students must maintain a minimum of 2.0 cumulative GPA and earn a grade of C- or better in each of the following courses in order to qualify for graduation. The courses listed are used to calculate a students in-major GPA:

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or STAT 3604	Statistics for Social Science	
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PHS 1004	Public Health First Year Experience	1

Foreign Language Requirement

Students who did not successfully complete at least two years of a single foreign, classical, or sign language during high school must successfully complete six semester hours of a single foreign, classical, or sign language at the college level. Courses taken to meet this requirement do not count toward the hours required for graduation.