

# BEHAVIORAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH, DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.)

The PhD in Behavioral and Community Health is an 82 credit program depending on the number of course requirements that can or cannot be waived. This is a research-intensive degree that prepares students for individual research that results in a dissertation.

**Advance to Candidacy:** In addition to the coursework below, students must also pass a Qualifying Exam.

**Post-candidacy:** Students must complete at least 12 credits of HLTH899 Doctoral Dissertation Research and successfully defend a dissertation.

| Course                                    | Title                                                       | Credits   |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>Core Requirements</b>                  |                                                             |           |
| SPHL600                                   | Foundations of Public Health                                | 3         |
| SPHL602                                   | Foundations of Epidemiology and Biostatistics               | 4         |
| SPHL603                                   | Public Health Data Laboratory                               | 1         |
| SPHL611                                   | Public Health Ethics                                        | 1         |
| or SPHL612                                | Research Ethics                                             |           |
| MIEH600                                   | Foundations of Environmental Health                         | 3         |
| HLSA601                                   | Introduction to Health Systems                              | 3         |
| EPIB697                                   | Public Health Data Management                               | 3         |
| Advanced EPIB course                      |                                                             | 3         |
| HLTH609                                   | Public Health Journal Club                                  | 1         |
| HLTH625                                   | Community Assessment through Qualitative Methods            | 3         |
| HLTH665                                   | Health Behavior I                                           | 3         |
| HLTH672                                   | Public Health Informatics                                   | 3         |
| HLTH710                                   | Methods and Techniques of Research                          | 3         |
| HLTH776                                   | Community Health Program Evaluation                         | 3         |
| HLTH780                                   | Community Health                                            | 3         |
| HLTH666                                   | Health Behavior II                                          | 3         |
| HLTH652                                   | Quantitative Research Methods I in Public health            | 3         |
| HLTH653                                   | Quantitative Research Methods II in Public Health           | 3         |
| HLTH711                                   | Advanced Research Methods in Health                         | 3         |
| HLTH712                                   | Applied Research Methods in Behavioral and Community Health | 3         |
| HLTH898                                   | Pre-Candidacy Research                                      | 6         |
| Electives                                 |                                                             | 9         |
| <b>Dissertation Research Requirements</b> |                                                             |           |
| HLTH899                                   | Doctoral Dissertation Research                              | 12        |
| <b>Total Credits</b>                      |                                                             | <b>82</b> |