

UNTHSC School of Public Health

MS/PhD Degree Programs in Public Health Sciences – Health Behavior Research

MS – Health Behavior Research Concentration (Prerequisite for PhD Degree)

Fall Semester – Year 1		SCH
BIOS 5300	Principles of Biostatistics	3
EPID 5313	Introduction to Data Management and Statistical Computing	3
BACH 5300	Theoretical Foundations of Individual and Community Health	3
Spring Semester – Year 1		9
PHED 5330	Foundations of Public Health	3
BACH 5320	Health Behavior Research Methods I	3
BIOS 5310	Intermediate Biostatistics	3
Summer Semester – Year 1		18
PHED 5338	Discovery Based Paper: Literature Review and Proposal Development	2
Fall Semester – Year 2		20
BACH 5340	Community Assessment and Program Planning	3
BACH 5324	Introduction to Health Disparities	3
PHED 5340	Discovery Based Paper: Data Analysis and Interpretation	3
Spring Semester – Year 2		29
BACH 6310	Qualitative Research Methods	3
	SPH elective with Faculty Advisor Approval	3
PHED 5350	Discovery Based Paper: Manuscript Preparation	3
	MS Degree conferral in May	---
Summer Semester – Year 2		38
	Submission of Discovery-Based Paper for Peer Review	---
Total MS Degree Credit Hours		<u>38</u>

PhD – Health Behavior Research Concentration

Fall Semester - Year 3		SCH
BACH 6300	Advanced Theories of Individual and Community Health	3
BACH 6314	Generalized Linear Modeling with Health Behavior Applications	3
BACH 6312	Health Behavior Research Methods II	3
Spring Semester - Year 3		9
BACH 6316	Multilevel Modeling with Health Behavior Applications	3
PHED 6320	Grant Writing & Grantsmanship	3
BACH 6318	Scale Development Methods	3
Summer Semester – Year 3		18
	Elective	3
	Elective	3
Fall Semester – Year 4		24

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PHED 6321	College Teaching in Academic Public Health	3
BACH 6324	Design and Evaluation of Preventive Interventions	3
	Elective	3
Spring Semester – Year 4		33
BACH 6000	PhD Comprehensive Examination	---
	Elective	3
	Elective	3
Summer Semester – Year 4		39
BACH 6395	Doctoral Dissertation	3
Fall Semester – Year 5		42
BACH 6395	Doctoral Dissertation	3
Spring Semester – Year 5		45
BACH 6395	Doctoral Dissertation	6
	PhD Degree conferral in May	---
Total PhD Degree Credit Hours		<u>51</u>

Additional Requirements

All MS and PhD students are expected to be engaged full-time for the duration of their studies. As a condition to receiving a funding package, outside employment of any kind is prohibited while in enrolled in the MS/PhD programs.

Journal Club participation is required throughout the MS/PhD Program.

PhD students are expected to be involved in mentored research, directed by their faculty advisor, throughout their program of study.

At least 89 graduate credit hours beyond the baccalaureate degree is required for the PhD degree.

A limit of 9 credit hours, earned from completion of 5000-level coursework in the SPH, may be used to satisfy doctoral-level course requirements.

If you have any questions about the Health Behavior Research program, please contact the **Office of Academic Services** at either 817-735-0489 or sphacademics@unthsc.edu.