

COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science

Ila Faye Miller School of Nursing & Health Professions

Program Overview

The Bachelor of Science in Community Health Education (CHED) offered by the University of the Incarnate Word is designed to prepare individuals in the study and improvement of health promotion for different groups and communities. Community Health Educators are the frontline for gaining an understanding of community needs, including disease prevention and the promotion of healthy lifestyle practices. The program builds on the Ila Faye Miller School of Nursing and Health Professions and the University of the Incarnate Word's resources by adding an additional health professions entry opportunity at the undergraduate level.

Professions School Opportunities

The degree provides graduates with a foundational health education that is appropriate for further graduate studies in Public Health. The degree responds to the need to prepare generalist community health educators with a curriculum that addresses the domains of the seven areas of responsibility set by the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc. (NCHEC). Students who graduate will be eligible to sit for the Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) certification exam. The degree also provides graduates with a foundational health education that is appropriate for further graduate studies in Public Health.

Career Opportunities

Community Health Educators serve as a liaison/link/intermediary between health/ social services and the community to facilitate access to services and improve the quality and cultural competence of service delivery. Upon graduation, students who have successfully completed all of the course requirements will be prepared to provide health education in non-school health settings, such as public health departments, hospitals, work site health promotion, and non-profit community agencies. The field is rapidly expanding into new areas of health and community wellness as community health practitioners continue to improve chronic disease management programs, health insurance enrollment, immunization drives, HIV/ AIDS treatment, access to mental health services and maternal-child health interventions.

Special Programs

Entry to the Community Health Education major requires a completion of all prerequisite courses with a minimum grade point average of 2.0

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Freshman Year: Fall	Hrs.
ENGL 1311 Composition I	3
Natural Science and Lab Core	4
CHEM 1405 Science in Everyday Life	4
PSYC 1301 Introduction to Psychology	3
PEHP Physical Education Activity	1
Total hours	15
Sophomore Year: Fall	
ENGL 2310 World Literature	3
PSYC 2356 Lifespan Development	3
PSYC 3385 Multicultural Issues	3
NUTR 2341 Introduction to Nutrition	3
Foreign Language II	3
Total hours	15
Junior Year: Fall	
PSYC 4320 Health Psychology	3
NUTR 3342 Nutrition in the Life Cycle	3
PHIL 3333 Applied Ethics	3
CHED 2330 CHED II Principles of Community	3
Health Education	
CHED 3310 Community Health Promotion	3
Total hours	15
Senior Year: Fall	
CHED 4310 Public Health and Epidemiology	3
CHED 4320 Community Health Program Planning	3
and Evaluation	
CHED 4330 Community Health Communication	3
and Education Skills	
Fine Arts Core	3
Elective	3
Total hours	15

Freshman Year: Spring	Hrs.
ENGL 1312 Composition II	3
CHED 2310 Health Science	3
MATH 2303 Intro to Probability and Statistics	3
PHIL 1381 Introduction to Philosophy	3
Foreign Language I	3
Total hours	15
Sophomore Year: Spring	
RELS 1305, 1315, 1325, 1335 or 1327H	3
CHED 2320 CHED I Intro to Community Health	3
History Core	3
NUTR 2400 Environmental Nutrition	4
DWHP 1200 Dimension of Wellness	2
Total hours	15
Junior Year: Spring	
CHED 3320 Fundamentals of Health Policy	3
CHED 3305 Research Method for Community Health	3
CHED 3330 Communicable/Chronic Disease	3
CHED 3340 Fundamentals of Human Performance	3
PSYC 3340 Drug Use Prevention and Community Psychology	3
Total hours	15
Senior Year: Spring	
CHED 4108 Community Health Education Internship	10
CHED 4250 Senior Seminar	2
Elective	3
Total hours	15

Core Curriculum - Total Hours 43 Major - Total Hours 77 Degree - Total Hours 120