# Milken Institute School of Public Health

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# Milken Institute School of Public Health GW Undergraduate Students

Minor in Public Health 2023-2024

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#### **Background**

The Minor in Public Health requires 18 credits. Upon successful completion of all requirements, the title of Minor and the courses taken in support of the Field are entered on the student's transcript.

#### Minor in Public Health

The Milken Institute School of Public Health (SPH) offers the Minor in Public Health. Through this minor, students are introduced to a wide range of public health topics, such as health epidemiology, health management, health policy, health behavior, environmental and occupational health, global health, and others. The Public Health Minor consists of at least 18 credits (9 credits of required public health courses and 9 credits of public health elective courses). The minor provides a strong foundation in public health in preparation for professional schools including: law school, medical school, and graduate programs for physician assistants, allied health professionals, public health, and healthcare administration.

Admissions Requirements: 2.75 cumulative GPA or above.

#### To Add or Drop a Minor and to Change the Original Program of Study

Please see an Undergraduate Academic Advisor for information, for assistance selecting elective courses, and to amend the planned coursework listed on the original program of study submitted to the student's home school (note: students whose home school is MISPH are not required to submit a planned program of study to declare a minor). Milken Institute SPH will not process requests to add a minor in the months of November or April. To declare the Public Health minor, complete the declaration form found here.

**Prerequisite Coursework** 

| Required Course | Prerequisite(s)  |
|-----------------|--|
| PUBH 3131       | PUBH 2142 (preferred); STAT 1051, 1053, 1111, or 1127; DNSC 2001; or |
|                 | APSC 3115  |

**Required Courses (9 credits)** 

| Course #  | Credits | Title   |
|-----------|---------|---|
| PUBH 1101 | 3       | Introduction to Public Health and Health Services |
| PUBH 3131 | 3       | Epidemiology – <i>see prerequisites</i>           |
| PUBH 3133 | 3       | Global Health and Development                     |

#### **Elective Courses – 9 credits**

Students may fulfill the elective requirement by taking any PUBH course (excluding PUBH 1010: First-Year Experience in Public Health and PUBH 4140W: Senior Seminar) or any course on the Bachelor of Science in Public Health Guided Electives List (available here:

https://publichealth.gwu.edu/programs/public-health-bs). Students in the Public Health Minor may apply

**up to 3 elective credits** from the Approved Study Abroad and non-GW course lists toward their minor if they comply with all applicable rules regarding courses taken at institutions outside of GW.

#### **Policies**

- 1. Public health minors may not double-count any required or elective course for another major, minor, or concentration as a public health minor elective course.
- 2. EXNS/PUBH 3995/PUBH 4199: BSPH minors may only apply 3 total credits of Undergraduate Research and/or Independent Study toward their minor elective requirement. Students must take these courses for a letter grade.
- 3. Students must earn a C- or higher in all courses required for the minor (core and elective) to graduate with a Public Health minor.
- 4. Students are responsible for reviewing and understanding the policies and requirements as outlined in the Undergraduate Handbook, available under "Undergraduate Resources" here: <a href="https://publichealth.gwu.edu/content/services-students">https://publichealth.gwu.edu/content/services-students</a> and in the University Bulletin, available here: <a href="https://www.gwu.edu/~bulletin/">www.gwu.edu/~bulletin/</a>.