D14. DrPH Program Length

The DrPH degree requires a minimum of 36 semester-credits, 48 quarter-credits of post-master’s coursework or its equivalent. Credits associated with the integrative learning experience and, if applicable, a residency, internship or other applied practice experience conducted outside of a didactic course, do not count toward this requirement. The minimum credit requirement also does not count MPH-level prerequisite courses or their equivalent.

Schools use university definitions for credit hours.

1) Provide information about the minimum credit-hour requirements for all DrPH degree options. If the university uses a unit of academic credit or an academic term different from the standard semester or quarter, explain the difference and present an equivalency in table or narrative form.

The DrPH at GWSPH requires the completion of 48 semester credit hours, of which at least 37 semester credits are post-master’s coursework (minus credits associated with the DAPEx and dissertation process). These courses include:

- PUBH 8730 Washington, DC, Immersion (2 credits)
- PUBH 8706 Leadership Principles and Practice 1 (3 credits)
- PUBH 8708 Applied Public Health Methods (3 credits)
- PUBH 8710 Public Health Project Management and Social Entrepreneurship (3 credits)
- PUBH 8712 Public Health Program Planning, Implementation and Evaluation (3 credits)
- PUBH 8714 Leadership Principles and Practice 2 (3 credits)
- PUBH 8716 Leadership in Practice: Education and Workforce Development (3 credits)
- PUBH 8722 Public Health Policy Analysis (3 credits)
- PUBH 8718 Public Health Communications and Marketing (3 credits)
- PUBH 8720 Social Change and Collective Impact (3 credits)
- PUBH 8724 Organizational Leadership and Change Management (3 credits)
- PUBH 8726 Applied Public Health Methods 2 (3 credits)
- PUBH 8700 DrPH Seminar and Introduction to DrPH Applied Practice Experience (DAPEx) (3 credits)\(^76\)

2) Define a credit with regard to classroom/contact hours.

According to GW policy, one credit hour is equal to a minimum of 37.5 hours of direct and/or indirect learning per semester.

\(^76\) This course has didactics associated with it, not related to the DAPEx and/or dissertation, accounting for 2 credits of post-master’s coursework.