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D.H.Sc. Health Sciences Fall 2016

Outcome	Related Foundational Studies or Graduate Goal
Competency 1: Epidemiology	
1.1 Explain the importance of epidemiology for informing scientific,	
ethical, economic, and political discussion of health issues.	
1.2 Comprehend basic ethical and legal principles pertaining to the	
collection, maintenance, use, and dissemination of epidemiologic	
data.	
1.3 Apply the basic terminology and definitions of epidemiology.	
1.4 Calculate basic epidemiology measures.	
1.5 Communicate epidemiologic information to lay and	
professional audiences.	
1.6 Draw appropriate inferences from epidemiologic data.	
1.7 Evaluate the strengths and limitations epidemiologic reports.	
Competency 2: Health Policy & Management	
2.1 Apply the principles of program planning, development,	
budgeting, management, and evaluation in organizational and	
community initiatives.	
2.2 Apply principles of strategic planning and marketing to health	
settings.	
2.3 Apply quality and performance improvement concepts to	
address organizational performance issues.	
2.4 Apply "systems thinking" for resolving organizational problems.	
2.5 Communicate health policy and management issues using	
appropriate channels and technologies.	
2.6 Demonstrate leadership skills for building partnerships.	
Competency 3: Social & Behavioral Sciences	
3.1 Describe steps and procedures for the planning,	
implementation, and evaluation of public health programs,	
policies, and interventions.	
3.2 Describe the role of social and community factors in both the	
onset and solution of health problems.	
3.3 Describe the merits of social and behavioral science	
interventions and policies.	

3.4 Apply evidence-based approaches in the development and	
evaluation of social and behavioral science interventions.	
3.5 Apply ethical principles to health program planning,	
implementation, and evaluation.	
3.6 Specify multiple targets and levels of intervention for social and	
behavioral science programs and/or policies.	
Competency 4: Leadership	
4.1 Engage in dialogue and learning from others to advance health	
of clients.	
4.2 Demonstrate team building, negotiation, and conflict	
management skills.	
4.3 Demonstrate transparency, integrity, and honesty in all actions.	
4.4 Use collaborative methods for achieving organizational and	
community goals.	
4.5 Apply social justice and human rights principles when	
addressing community needs.	
4.6 Develop strategies to motivate others for collaborative	
problem solving, decision-making, and evaluation.	
Competency 5: Professionalism	
5.1 Apply basic principles of ethical analysis (e.g. the Public Health	
Code of Ethics, human rights framework, other moral theories) to	
issues of health.	
5.2 Apply evidence-based principles and the scientific knowledge	
base to critical evaluation and decision-making.	
5.3 Apply to core functions of assessment, policy development,	
and assurance in the analysis of problems and solutions.	
5.4 Promote high standards of personal and organizational	
integrity, compassion, honesty, and respect for all people.	
5.5 Analyze determinants of health and disease using an ecological	
framework.	
5.6 Analyze the potential impacts of legal and regulatory	
environments on the conduct of ethical research and practice.	
5.7 Distinguish between population and individual ethical	
considerations in relation to the benefits, costs, and burdens of	
various types of programs.	
5.8 Embrace a definition of health that captures the unique	
characteristics of the field (e.g., population-focused, community-	
oriented, prevention-motivated, and rooted in social justice) and	
how these contribute to professional practice.	
5.9 Appreciate the importance of working collaboratively with	
diverse communities and constituencies (e.g. researchers,	
practitioners, agencies, and organizations).	

5.10 Value commitment to lifelong learning and professional	
service including active participation in professional organizations.	
Competency 6: Systems Thinking	
6.1 Explain how systems (e.g. individuals, social networks,	
organizations, and communities) may be viewed as systems within	
systems in the analysis of health problems.	
6.2 Explain how systems models can be tested and validated.	
6.3 Explain how the contexts of gender, race, poverty, history,	
migration, and culture are important in the design of interventions	
within health systems.	
6.4 Illustrate how changes in health systems (including input,	
processes, and output) can be measured.	
6.5 Analyze inter-relationships among systems that influence the	
quality of life of people in their communities.	
6.6 Analyze the effects of political, social, and economic policies on	
health systems at the local, state, national, and international	
levels.	
6.7 Analyze the impact of global trends and interdependencies on	
health-related problems and systems.	
6.8 Assess strengths and weaknesses of applying the systems	
approach to health problems.	

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Foundational Studies Learning Goals

- FS1. Solve problems.
- FS2. Evaluate ideas.
- FS3. Learn and apply knowledge and skills.
- FS4. Demonstrate appreciation for the arts.
- FS5. Embrace civic duty.
- FS6. Understand diversity.
- FS7. Act as a global citizen.
- FS8. Behave ethically.
- FS9. Cultivate wellness.
- FS10. Communicate effectively.

- G2. Engage in and meaningfully contribute to diverse and complex communities and professional environments.
- G3. Recognize and act on professional and ethical challenges that arise in their field or discipline.
- G4. Achieve mastery of the knowledge required in their discipline or profession.
- G5. Achieve mastery of the skills (including using appropriate tools) required in their discipline or profession.

Graduate Student Learning Goals

G1. Demonstrate professional communication proficiencies.