

Revision: B.S. Health Promotion: Community Health Option
Effective Date: Fall 2018

The Department of Health Promotion requests that the following language be added to the catalog description for the B.S. in Health Promotion:

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Rationale: An increasing number of students are entering our program with professional training and experience that is comparable to what is provided in some of our courses, but is not able to be transcribed in a useable way at EIU. PLA allows a mechanism by which such training can be evaluated for the Department, and if it is comparable to the student learning outcomes for particular courses, course credit could be awarded.

In conversations with prospective students currently employed in health-related professions, almost all have indicated that a significant reason they had not completed a bachelor's degree was because they feared having to take (and pay for) coursework that duplicated (or was less rigorous) than their professional training. These same individuals indicated that having PLA as an option removed that final barrier to returning to school.

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Health Promotion: Community Health Option (B.S.)

Total Semester Hours Required for the Degree: 120 semester hours

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OR
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AND
- BIO 2220 - Anatomy and Physiology II. Credits: 4

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(See Footnote *)
- HST 2250 - Professions in School and Community Health. Credits: 1
(See Footnote *)
- HST 2270 - Community Health. Credits: 3
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- HST 2700 - Marketing Concepts for Health Promotion Professionals. Credits: 3
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- HST 2800 - Health Education Research Methods I. Credits: 3
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- HST 2900 - Human Diseases. Credits: 3
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- HCM 4910 - Applied Health Communication. Credits: 3

Select 9 Semester Hours

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- HCM 2910 – Introduction to Health Communication. Credits: 3
- HCM 3910 - Communication in Health Professions. Credits: 3
- HST 2200G - Health Citizenship. Credits: 3
- HST 3100 - Disasters and Public Health: Planning and Response. Credits: 3
- HST 3500 - Human Sexuality. Credits: 3
- HST 3560 - Women's Health. Credits: 3
- HST 4800 - Drugs and Society. Credits: 3
- HST 4890 - Health and Aging. Credits: 3
- NUR 3203 – Medical Terminology. Credits: 3

Footnotes:

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