



Public and Community Health

Major Preparation Sheet 2016-2017

What is Public and Community Health?

Public and Community Health is concerned with the health and wellness of local, national and global communities. Through strong public relations, community organization, public policy and health education, Public Health professionals assess, evaluate, plan and promote community health programs to aid in the prevention of illness and spread of disease.

Areas of Public and Community Health: Community Organization, Health Assessment, Health Promotion, Stress Management, Consumer Health, Program Planning, Human Sexuality, Drugs and Society, Infectious Disease, Epidemiology, Community and International Health.

Where does my path start?

You will complete an Associate of Arts – Direct Transfer Agreement (AA-DTA) at Shoreline.

Use the AA -DTA **Degree Planning Guide** to understand the requirements for graduation.

Once you complete your Shoreline degree, you can transfer to a four-year school to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in Public or Community Health. Public and Community Health are excellent majors for graduate studies in Public Health, Global Health, Business, Law and Education.

Where can I go for help?

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Where can I transfer?

Students can transfer to a number of public and private colleges and universities in the U.S., but the Direct Transfer Agreement applies only within Washington. The following colleges in Washington offer a degree in Public and Community Health, which may require specific courses for admission. Contact the Public and Community Health department at your chosen four-year school(s) for more information.

[Central Washington University](#)
[Eastern Washington University](#)
[The Evergreen State College](#)

[Western Washington University](#)
[University of Washington – Bothell](#)
[University of Washington – Seattle](#)

What can I do with a Bachelor’s Degree in Public and Community Health?

Public and Community Health professionals develop the knowledge and skills to develop policies, assess risks, manage programs, conduct research, and engage in community outreach to promote public health. As such, graduates in Public and Community Health are able to work in variety of health care and community settings.

Potential employers include: Government agencies, including the Center for Disease Control, National Institute of Health, Department of Health and Human Services and the World Health Organization; health care clinics, hospitals, colleges and universities, consulting firms and non-profit organizations. For more, please visit career information and resources at www.shoreline.edu/job-career-services/.

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What courses should I take?*

Below are recommendations for fulfilling the AA-DTA requirements if you are planning to pursue this pathway.

Strongly Recommended
These are commonly **required** for admission. Check with your chosen four-year program(s) to confirm.

Other Recommendations
These courses are well-matched with this field, but are not commonly required for admission.

I. GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Quant. and Symbolic Reasoning MATH &146 or 211

II. DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS

Humanities

CMST &101, &220, &230

Natural Sciences

BIOL &211, &241, &242, &260, NUTR &101, CHEM &121 or 171/181

Social Sciences

ANTHR &206, POLS &202, &203, 221, 276, PSYC &100, &200, 245, SOC &101, &201, &250

III. GENERAL ELECTIVES

Select courses depending on requirements at transfer institution; BIOL 150, HIIM 134

What does your chosen four-year school require?

Before choosing classes, become familiar with the four-year program where you want to apply: visit the website, email the department, and/or speak with a Shoreline advisor. Below are examples from Washington schools with different admissions and graduation requirements. Check with the school for world language requirements. (Non-native speakers of English are often exempt from this requirement.)

School	Degrees	Requirements	SCC Courses
Central Washington University	B.S. in Public Health with option in Community Health Education		NUTR &101
Eastern Washington University	B.S. Community Health	MATH& 146 and HIIM 134 will likely meet requirements; contact EWU to be sure	CMST & 101 or &220
Western Washington University	B.S. in Community Health	Additional courses which can be taken before transfer: from CMST &230, SOC 250, PSYC &200 or &245	CHEM 171/181, BIOL &211, &241, &242.
The Evergreen State College	B.S. in Health	Recommend: biology, cultural studies, gender and women's studies, health, physiology, and psychology.	
University of Washington – Seattle	B.A. and B.S in Public Health; B.A. in Medical Anthropology and Global Health	The B.S. degree requires 2 year-long sequences of introductory sciences with labs in biology, chemistry, calculus or physics. Admission does not require completion of all core requirements. A grade of at least 2.5 must be earned in all prerequisite courses.	Pub. Health: BIOL &211, CHEM &121 or 171/181, MATH &146 or 211 Med. Anthro.: ANTH &204, &205, and 206 or 207, MATH &146 or 211
University of Washington – Bothell	B.A. Health Studies		ENGL &101, &102, and MATH &146. In addition, for Life Sciences concentration: BIOL &241, &242, &260.

**** This unofficial guide is intended to support you as you prepare for your major. Please consult with an advisor and your chosen four-year school(s), as program and admissions requirements vary and may change without notice.**