

2025-2026 Old Dominion University Catalog

Bachelor of Science in Public Health (w/ VCCS Equivalencies)

Sample four year curriculum with a suggested ordering of courses based on placement into BIOL 121N/122N and MATH 162M or higher. Students may re-order as needed. * Indicates not automatically waived with transferrable associates degree, C or better required for transfer. Courses in green are waived by the completion of an Associate degree (Not eligible for Applied Associate degrees). AS in Health Science or Science recommended for ease of transfer.

YEAR 1 - FRESHMAN (30 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (17 credits)		SPRING SEMESTER (17 credits)	
<u>General Education Coursework:</u>	<u>VCCS Equivalency:</u>	<u>General Education Coursework:</u>	<u>VCCS Equivalency:</u>
*ENGL 110C: English Composition I	ENG 111	*ENGL 211C: English Composition II	ENG 112
*MATH 162M: Precalculus	MTH 161 or 163	*BIOL 123N/124N: General Biology II	BIO 102
*BIOL 121N/122N: General Biology I	BIO 101	*CHEM 123N/124N: General Chemistry II	CHM 112
*CHEM 121N/122N: General Chemistry I	CHM 111	*STAT 130M: Statistics	MTH 146, 155, 157, 240, 241, 242 or 245
Oral Communication	Transfer Equivalency Guide	Information Literacy & Research	Transfer Equivalency Guide
YEAR 2 - SOPHOMORE (33 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (16credits)		SPRING SEMESTER (16 credits)	
<u>General Education Coursework:</u>	<u>VCCS Equivalency:</u>	<u>General Education Coursework:</u>	<u>VCCS Equivalency:</u>
*BIOL 240 or 250: A&P I	BIO 141, 231 or NAS 161	*BIOL 241 or 251: A&P II	BIO 142, 232, or NAS 162
*PSYC 201S or SOC 201S	PSY 200 or 201 or SOC 200, 201 or 202	Philosophy and Ethics	PHIL 220 preferred
*PUBH 200 Principles of Public Health	HLT 228	Human Creativity	Transfer Equivalency Guide
Literature	Transfer Equivalency Guide	Interpreting the Past	Transfer Equivalency Guide
Language and Culture I (May be waived, see catalog for details)	Transfer Equivalency Guide	Language and Culture II (May be waived, see catalog for details)	Transfer Equivalency Guide
YEAR 3 - JUNIOR (30 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)		SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)	
<u>Major Coursework:</u>	<u>No VCCS Equivalency:</u>	<u>Major Coursework:</u>	<u>No VCCS Equivalency:</u>
ENVH 301: Principles of Environmental Health Science		PUBH 390: The US Healthcare Delivery System	
PUBH 320: Health Equity and Disability Culture		PUBH 450: Public and Community Health Administration	
PUBH 335: Population Health		PUBH 445: Health Services Research Methods	
*PUBH 360: Introduction to Global Health	HLT 241	ENVH 448: Epidemiology and Biostatistics (Spring Only)	
PUBH 415: One Health - One Medicine (Fall Only)		Elective	
YEAR 4 - SENIOR (27 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (12 credits)		SPRING SEMESTER (12 credits)	
<u>Major Coursework:</u>	<u>No VCCS Equivalency:</u>	<u>Major Coursework:</u>	<u>No VCCS Equivalency:</u>
PUBH 403W: Social and Behavioral Aspects of Public Health (Fall Only)		PUBH 421: Leadership in Public Health (Spring Only)	
PUBH 485: Health Informatics		PUBH 422: Health, Culture and Diversity – Reducing Disparities in Public Health	
HLSC 405 Interprofessional Study Abroad on Global Health -		PUBH 468: Internship	
OR- HLSC 475: Healthcare Marketing			
Upper Division/Option D		Upper Division/Option D	

PROGRAM ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS: PUBH 200, ENGL 110C, BIOL 121N/122N, BIOL 123N/124N, CHEM 121N/122N, CHEM 123N/124N, MATH 162M and STAT 130M must be completed with grade of C or higher to meet program eligibility requirements. Most general education requirements should be complete before declaring the major. Typically, students declare the major by the fall of the Junior year. Consult an advisor in the ODU Health Sciences Advising Center <https://www.odu.edu/health-sciences-advising> or ODU Online <https://online.odu.edu/programs/public-health-bs>

NOTE: Impact of Technology is met in the major with PUBH 485. Option D satisfies the Upper Division General Education requirement by completing six (6) credits at the 300-400 level EXCEPT CSD, CYTO, CHP, DNTH, EXSC, ENVH, MLS, NMED, RT, PUBH. Foreign language may be satisfied with 3 years of 1 or 2 years of 2 languages in high school; graduation from HS prior to 12/31/85, or with AA or AS Degree from VCCS. Elective credits may be needed to achieve the minimum 120 credit hours required for the degree. Electives can be from any college. Some electives that can be considered are ENVH 401, 420, and HLSC 405.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: Requirements for graduation include a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.00 overall and in the major, a minimum of 120 credit hours, which must include both a minimum of 30 credit hours overall and 12 credit hours in upper-level courses in the major program for Old Dominion University, completion of ENGL 110C and ENGL 211C or 231C, and the writing intensive (W) course in the major with a grade of C or better, and completion of Senior Assessment.