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**MPH Curriculum Planner
Cancer Health Equity Science Concentration
Fall matriculation
45 Credits Minimum**

Student's Name:

Year of Entry:

Courses	Cr	Semester/Year Taken		
CORE COURSES		Offered	Sem/Year	Credits
BIOS 543 – Graduate Research Methods I	3	Fall		
EPID 571 – Epidemiological Principles	3	Fall		
PHLT 580 -- Public Health Ethics	1	Fall		
PHLT 593—Foundations of the Public Health Profession	2	Fall		
PHLT 604 – Principles of Environmental Health	3	Spring		
SBHD 605 – Introduction to Social and Behavioral Health	3	Spring		
HCPR 601 – Introduction to Health Policy	3	Fall		
IPEC 563—Interprofessional Complex Care Coordination	2	Fall, Spring		
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Concentration Courses				
EPID 620- Cancer Epidemiology	3	Spring		
SBHD 612- Disparities Across the Cancer Care Continuum	3	Fall		
SBHD 613- Community-Engaged Research and Cancer Disparities	3	Spring		
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APPLIED EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS				
PHLT 693 – Public Health Internship	3	Su1, Su1/F2, or F2		
PHLT 694 – MPH Capstone Project	3	F2/Sp2 or Sp2		
Both may be completed across multiple semesters.	6			
ELECTIVES (10 credits minimum)				
See VCU Graduate Bulletin degree requirements for this concentration for choices	10 (min.)	Varies		
TOTAL CREDITS	45			
NON-DIDACTIC REQUIREMENTS				
Attendance at 12 public health seminars				
Minimum 20 hours service-learning and summary multi-media presentation				

NOTE: The MPH Program reserves the right to change course offerings.

FALL MATRICULATION SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE—Full-time, two-year students

Effective Fall 2025



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Students should focus on taking core/required courses first, to establish foundational knowledge and to meet prerequisite requirements for some elective courses. Exact course sequence will vary by student and be different for part-time students.

Fall 1

BIOS 543	Graduate Research Methods I	3
EPID 571	Epidemiological Principles	3
PHLT 580	Public Health Ethics	1
PHLT 593	Foundations of the Public Health Profession	2
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Spring 1

PHLT 604	Principles of Environmental Health	3
EPID 620	Cancer Epidemiology	3
SBHD 605	Introduction to Social and Behavioral Health	3
Elective	Concentration Elective	3
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Summer

PHLT 693	Public Health Internship	3
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Fall 2

HCPR 601	Introduction to Health Policy	3
IPEC 563	Interprofessional Complex Care Coordination	2
SBHD 612	Disparities Across the Cancer Care Continuum	3
PHLT 694	MPH Capstone Project**	1
Elective	Concentration Elective(s)	3-6
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Spring 2

SBHD 613	Community-engaged Research and Cancer Disparities	3
PHLT 694	MPH Capstone Project	2-3
Elective	Concentration elective(s)	3-6
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SPRING MATRICULATION SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE—Full-time, two-year students

Students should focus on taking core/required courses first, to establish foundational knowledge and to meet prerequisite requirements for some elective courses. Exact course sequence will vary by student and be different for part-time students.

Spring 1

PHLT 604	Principles of Environmental Health	3
SBHD 613	Community-engaged Research and Cancer Disparities	3
SBHD 605	Intro to Social & Behavioral Health	3
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Fall 1

BIOS 543	Graduation Research Methods I	3
EPID 571	Principles of Epidemiology	3
PHLT 580	Public Health Ethics	1
PHLT 593	Foundations Public Health Profession	2
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Spring 2

EPID 620	Cancer Epidemiology	3
IPEC 563	Interprofessional Complex Care Coordination	3
PHLT 694	MPH Capstone Project	1
Elective	Concentration Electives	6
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Summer

PHLT 693	Public Health Internship	3
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Fall 2

HCPR 601	Introduction to Health Policy	3
SBHD 612	Disparities Across the Cancer Care Continuum	3
PHLT 694	MPH Capstone Project	2
Elective	Concentration Elective(s)	4-6
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***Notes:**

- Core and required courses should be completed as soon as possible.
- Course plans will vary by student; elective courses may be included in any semester where appropriate.
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