



The USI Bachelor of Science in Community and Public Health provides students with a curriculum focused on field of healthcare and public health. The goal is to prepare highly qualified entry-level graduates for career opportunities in a wide variety of jobs in healthcare and public health.

# COMMUNITY & PUBLIC HEALTH

## PLAN YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

Students have the flexibility to choose between in-person and online classes, allowing them to tailor their educational experience to fit their lifestyle. The program offers two distinct pools of electives—**Methods and Processing** and **Content**—which allow students to customize their course selection based on their personal interests and career goals. This flexible approach gives students the opportunity to design a program that aligns with their passions, whether they are focused on research methods, program design or specific health topics. By selecting courses from both pools, students can create a well-rounded education that prepares them for a variety of career paths in community and public health.

## WHERE DO COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC HEALTH GRADUATES WORK?

Graduates are prepared for careers in the assessment, administration, design, delivery and evaluation of health and wellness programs in a variety of settings, including business, industry, acute care, post-acute care, nonprofit organizations and government agencies.

## FUTURE JOB TRENDS

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, jobs across several health-related professions are projected to grow by 17 to 32%.

## ADMISSION

There is no application process to declare the Community and Public Health major. Students may declare the major upon entering the University or change their major at any time. Once in the program, students will be required to complete the prerequisite courses for the major.

## EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING: INTERNSHIPS, CAPSTONE OR RESIDENCIES

The USI Health Administration and Community Health program provides experiential learning opportunities to students throughout the tri-state area and beyond. Students begin by taking HP 475: Professionalism in Healthcare to prepare for community-based experiential learning. The Career Success Center works closely with students to assess their learning goals and career interests, helping them secure placements that will enhance their skills and broaden their career options. Experiential learning opportunities offer 3 credit hours (150 hours of community-based learning) and may extend to 12 credit hours (up to 1,040 hours) depending on program requirements. Alternatively, students currently working in healthcare or public health may choose to complete the online capstone if they do not need an internship or residency. Students interested in post-acute care will have the opportunity to complete the AIT option, which counts for 12 credits or 1,040 hours of practical experience in a long-term care facility over the final two semesters. Upon completion of the AIT experience, students qualify to sit for the Indiana State Board of Health Facilities Administration (HFA) and the National Association of Long-Term Care Administrator Boards (NAB) licensing exams.

## ACCREDITATION

The University of Southern Indiana is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, Commission on Institutions of Higher Education.

# Bachelor of Science in Community and Public Health Curriculum

Students will work closely with an advisor to determine an individual schedule.

## UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN INDIANA

### FIRST YEAR

FALL – 15/16 credit hours		
ENG 101	Rhetoric and Composition I	3
CMST 101 OR 107	Introduction to Public Speaking OR Interpersonal Communication	3
MATH 111, 114, 215, OR 230	Math - Core	3/4
KIN 192	Concepts in Health & Wellness	1
UNIV 101	First Year Experience	1
HP 211	Healthcare System & Policy	3
—	Elective or Minor	1/0

SPRING – 15 credit hours		
ENG 201	Rhetoric and Composition II	3
GERO 215	Introduction to Global Aging & Healthcare	3
HP 115	Medical Terminology	2
—	Natural Science with Lab - Core	4
PH 284	Public Health	3

### SECOND YEAR

FALL – 15 credit hours		
—	Social Science - Core	3
IPH 356	Ethics & Healthcare in a Pluralistic Society	3
—	BS World Language - Core	3
—	Elective or Minor	3
—	Elective or Minor	3

SPRING – 15 credit hours		
—	CPH Content Elective	3
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—	WoK-CAE, HIST, or SOC - Core	3
—	Natural Science - Core	3
—	Elective or Minor	3

### THIRD YEAR

FALL – 15 credit hours		
GERO 317	Health Care Continuum and Community Services	3
HP 305	Structure and Theory: Public Health and Health Promotion	3
—	CPH Methods/Processing Elective	3
—	CPH Content Elective	3
—	Elective or Minor	3

SPRING – 15 credit hours		
GERO 318	Healthy Aging	3
PH 486	Public Health Administration	3
—	CPH Methods/Processing Elective	3
—	CPH Methods/Processing Elective	3
—	CPH Content Elective	3

### FOURTH YEAR

FALL – 15/18 credit hours		
HP 302	Biostatistics	3
HP 475	Professionalism in Health Care*	3
PH 484	Environmental Health	3
PH 485	Epidemiology	3
—	Elective or AIT Residency	3/6

SPRING – 15/18 credit hours		
HP 480, 481 OR GERO 499	Internship/Capstone/AIT Residency	3/6
HP 498	Current Concepts in Health Professions	3
—	CPH Content Elective	3
—	Elective or Minor	3
—	Elective or Minor	3

\*If doing an AIT, HP 475 will need to be completed during the spring of the third year.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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