

PUBLIC HEALTH, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BS) / PRE-MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (SRU) (3+2)

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1. Effective Professional Communication:** Communicate with clients in an individual or group setting and with health professionals in a variety of health settings using a combination of communication skills for a clear exchange of ideas and information, listening and comprehending the viewpoints of others, effectively presenting information in oral and written formats and integrating media/technology. (UO 1)
- 2. Professional Competency:** Use reasoned judgment drawing upon a broad knowledge base from social, behavioral and natural science, education and health to assess, plan, implement, evaluate and coordinate health promotion for individuals and communities. (UO 2,3,4)
- 3. Professional Ethics:** Apply high ethical standards to public health practice with a sensitivity to multicultural traditions, legal issues, and adherence to a code of ethics of professional health organizations. (UO 8,9,10)
- 4. Continual Professional and Personal Development:** Continue personal and professional development in holistic health, including the components of physical, emotional, spiritual, social, environmental and vocational health, through continuing education, advanced study, and participation in professional health organizations. (UO 5,7,9)

RELATED LINKS

Public Health - Pre-Master of Public Health, BS Program Page (<https://www.sru.edu/programs/undergrad-public-health/>)

Professional Licensure/Certification Page (<https://www.sru.edu/students/student-consumer-information/professional-licensures/>)

CURRICULUM GUIDE

GPA REQUIREMENT

1st Major: Public Health

- Major GPA: 2.0 or higher
- Overall GPA: 2.0 or higher

2nd Major: 3+2 Pre-Master of Public Health

- Major GPA: 3.0 or higher
- Overall GPA: 3.00 or higher

Summary*

Code	Title	Hours
	Rock Studies 2 Requirements	42-44
	Major Requirements	45
	Natural Science and Math College-Wide Requirements	0-4
	Electives	27-33

* All undergraduate degree programs require a minimum of 120 credits. Some courses meet multiple requirements, but are only counted once toward the 120 credit total required to graduate. However, because this is a pre-professional program, credits taken during the 1st year of the graduate program are applied toward the undergraduate credit hours to meet the 120 credits required for your undergraduate degree.

ROCK STUDIES 2 REQUIREMENTS

Code	Title	Hours
The Rock		
SUBJ 139	Foundations of Academic Discovery ¹	3
ENGL 102	Critical Writing	3
ENGL 104	Critical Reading	3
STAT 152	Elementary Statistics	3
Select one of the following:		3
COMM 200	Civil Discourse: Theory & Practice	
PHIL 110	Ethics and Civil Discourse	
POLI 235	Civil Discourse and Democracy	
Subtotal		15
Integrated Inquiry		
<i>Creative and Aesthetic Inquiry</i>		
Select 3 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
<i>Humanities Inquiry</i>		
Select 3 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
<i>Social Science Inquiry</i>		
Select 3 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
<i>Natural Sciences Inquiry</i>		
Select one of the following:		3-4
BIOL 110	The Human Body: Fundamentals of Structure and Physiology	
BIOL 209	Advanced Human Anatomy and Physiology I with Laboratory	
<i>Physical Sciences Inquiry</i>		
Select one of the following:		3-4
CHEM 107 & CHEM 111	General Chemistry I and General Chemistry I Lab	
PHYS 201	Elements of Physics I with Lab	
SCI 102	Understanding the Physical World	
Subtotal		15-17
Thematic Thread		
Select 12 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/) ²		12
Total Hours		42-44

¹ Course offered in multiple subjects; cannot take course in first major subject.

² One course from each category; six credits must be 300-level or above; no more than 4 credits from one subject area; specific courses required in first major, regardless of prefix of course, cannot be used to satisfy thread requirements; any course with same prefix as first major cannot be used to satisfy thread requirements, even if it is not a course in the first major.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION REQUIREMENT

Students must take and pass a course with the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) designation prior to graduation. Students can meet this requirement by taking any DEI - designated course in any program at any time during their undergraduate career.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

- 30 major credits must be taken at SRU or PASSHE
- 30 major credits must be taken at the 300 level or above

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses in Public Health		
HLTH 103	Health and Behavior Change ¹	3
HLTH 104	Introduction to Public Health	3
HLTH 204	Public Health Education and Communication	3
HLTH 209	Foundations of Disease in Public Health	3
HLTH 310	Environmental Health ¹	3
HLTH 313	Biostatistics ¹	3
HLTH 321	Advanced Disease Prevention in Public Health ¹	3
HLTH 322	Public Health Research Methods and Data Management	3
HLTH 323	Social Determinants of Health ¹	3
HLTH 324	Epidemiology	3
HLTH 406	Program Planning and Evaluation ¹	3
HLTH 407	Fundamentals of Public Health Policy and Management ¹	3
HLTH 411	Global Health	3
Subtotal		39
Required Internship		
HLTH 450	Internship ¹	3
Subtotal		3
Required Course outside of Major Department		
BIOL 210	Medical Microbiology with Lab ³	3
Subtotal		3
Total Hours		45

¹ Course counts for 50% of Major requirements and Major GPA

² Course counts for 50% of Major requirements but not for Major GPA

* Some courses may require pre-requisites. Please see course descriptions to determine if there are any pre-requisites for that specific course.

NATURAL SCIENCE AND MATH COLLEGE-WIDE REQUIREMENTS

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one of the following BIOL courses		3-4
BIOL 110	The Human Body: Fundamentals of Structure and Physiology	
BIOL 209	Advanced Human Anatomy and Physiology I with Laboratory	
Complete one of the following CHEM courses (CHEM 111 is required if completing CHEM 107):		3-4

CHEM 107 & CHEM 111 or CHEM 104	General Chemistry I and General Chemistry I Lab Introduction Chemistry I	
STAT 152	Elementary Statistics	3

Total Hours

9-11

CO-CURRICULAR AND EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Students are encouraged to explore additional curricular and co-curricular opportunities. There is a strong correlation between long-term student success and participation in the following types of programs and activities:

1. Conference attendance
2. Service-Learning
3. Internships
4. Career Education
5. Peer Education Opportunities

Important Curriculum Guide Notes

This Curriculum Guide is provided to help SRU students and prospective students better understand their intended major curriculum. Enrolled SRU students should note that the My Rock Audit may place already-earned and/or in progress courses in different, yet valid, curriculum categories. Enrolled SRU students should use the My Rock Audit Report and materials and information provided by their faculty advisers to ensure accurate progress towards degree completion. *The information on this guide is current as of the date listed. Students are responsible for curriculum requirements at the time of enrollment at the University.*

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