

Pre-Public Health Checklist

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THIS CHECKLIST IS AN UNOFFICIAL TOOL FOR PLANNING.

Matriculated students and advisors should consult the Academic Requirements Report in GullNet before and after registering for classes each semester to track academic progress.

Advising for Pre-Health plans is available through the Health Professions Advisory Program (HPAP).

PRE-MASTER'S OF PUBLIC HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

This checklist is for student who want to earn a master's degree in Public Health. Students interested in a bachelor's degree in Public Health should consult the faculty in the Public Health department at Salisbury University. A bachelor's degree in Public Health is not required to be admitted to a Master's of Public Health (MPH) program.

- Preparation for graduate programs in this field requires that certain pre-requisite courses be completed and that the applicant take the necessary admissions exam required by the intended graduate school.
- Admission exams like the [GRE](#) may not be required, so check with your target schools so that you allow time to prepare for this, if needed. Optional for some schools, but strong candidates should consider taking the GRE.
- Required courses were required in >70% of MPH programs surveyed.
- Recommended courses are suggested for proper preparation for graduate/doctoral programs and were required in >50% of MPH programs surveyed or would enhance the application.
- **You must check the prerequisites of all schools you are considering, as requirements vary. A searchable database of master's level and doctoral levels programs can be found at the [Association of Schools & Programs of Public Health](#) website.**
- Minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 GPA.
- Refer to program of choice for suggested patient observation, shadowing, and volunteer hours required; however, requiring these hours is rare for MPH programs.
- Explore leadership and study abroad opportunities that enhance undergraduate experience.
- All pre-health students should seek further advisement and guidance provided by Health Professions Program advisors ([HPP](#): <https://www.salisbury.edu/academic-offices/advising-center/hpap/>).

YOU MUST HAVE A PRIMARY MAJOR –

This curriculum is in addition to University and major requirements, and only pertains to suggested prerequisites for the Pre-Health program – NOT your Salisbury University degree.

Course No. & Title	#Credits	Grade	Taken @SU	Term Completed
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Required Courses:

BIOL 215 – Anatomy & Physiology I	4	_____	Y/N	_____
BIOL 216 – Anatomy & Physiology II	4	_____	Y/N	_____
COMM 100 – Fundamentals of Comm	4	_____	Y/N	_____
MATH 155 – Modern Statistics	3	_____	Y/N	_____
OR				
MATH 216 – Statistical Thinking	4	_____	Y/N	_____
PSYC 101 – General Psychology	4	_____	Y/N	_____
SOCI 101 – Introduction to Sociology	4	_____	Y/N	_____
OR				
SOCI 201 – Social Problems	4	_____	Y/N	_____
OR				
ANTH 100 - Cultural Anthropology and Linguistics	4	_____	Y/N	_____

Recommended Courses (depends on area of concentration – refer to intended program for more information):

BIOL 211: Microbiology	4 credits
HLSC 255: Nutrition for the Health Sciences	4 credits
HLTH 110: Foundations of Public Health Education	4 credits
HLTH 225: Health Behavior	4 credits
HLTH 230: Chronic and Communicable Disease	4 credits
HLTH 311: Human Sexuality Education	4 credits
HLTH 312: Drugs and Public Health	4 credits
HLTH 315: Community Nutrition	4 credits
HLTH 325: Planning and Assessing Health Programs	4 credits
HLTH 326: Measurement and Evaluation of Health Progs	4 credits
HLTH 330: Principles of Epidemiology	4 credits
HLTH 361: Health Communication	4 credits
HLTH 450: US Healthcare and Public Health	4 credits