

**MPH Curriculum Planner
Epidemiology Concentration, 2021-22
45 Credits Minimum**

Student's Name:

Year of Entry:

Courses	Cr	Semester/Year Taken		
		Offered	Sem/Year	Credits
CORE COURSES				
BIOS 543 – Graduate Research Methods I	3	Fall		
EPID 571 – Epidemiological Principles	3	Fall		
EPID 580 -- Public Health Ethics	1	Fall		
EPID 593—Foundations of the Public Health Profession	2	Fall		
EPID 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 501—Foundations of Interprofessional Practice*	1	Fall		
*Students holding MD degrees take IPEC 510 or similar.	19			
Concentration Courses				
BIOS 544 – Graduate Research Methods II	3	Spring		
EPID 548 – Applied Data Analysis**	3	Spring		
EPID 606 – Epidemiologic Methods (take only after completing EPID 548)	3	Spring		
** In spring 2021 and 2022, offered as EPID 691, Special Topics	9			
APPLIED EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS				
EPID 693 – Public Health Internship	3	Su1, Su1/F2 or F2		
EPID 694 – MPH Capstone Project	3	F2/Sp2 or Sp2		
Both may be completed across 2 semesters.	6			
ELECTIVES (11 credits minimum)				
See VCU Graduate Bulletin degree requirements for this concentration for choices	11	varies		
TOTAL CREDITS				
NON-DIDACTIC REQUIREMENTS				
Attendance at 12 public health seminars				
Minimum 20 hours service-learning and summary				

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

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, but all students should focus on completing core courses first, to the extent possible.

Fall 1

BIOS 543	Graduate Research Methods I	3
EPID 571	Epidemiological Principles	3
EPID 580	Public Health Ethics	1
EPID 593	Foundations of the Public Health Profession	<u>2</u>
		9

Spring 1

BIOS 544	Graduate Research Methods II	3
EPID 691*	Spec. Topics: Applied Data Analysis	3
EPID 604	Principles of Environmental Health	3
SBHD 605	Introduction to Social and Behavioral Health	<u>3</u>
		12

*permanent course number EPID 548 as of fall 2022.

Summer 1

EPID 693	Public Health Internship (or fall 2)	<u>3</u>
		3

Fall 2

Elective	Epidemiology concentration electives	5-6
HCPR 601	Introduction to Health Policy	3
IPEC 501	Foundations of Interprofessional Practice	1
EPID 694	MPH Capstone Project**	<u>0-1</u>
		9-11

Spring 2

EPID 606	Epidemiologic Methods	3
Elective	Epidemiology concentration electives	6
EPID 694	MPH Capstone Project**	<u>2-3</u>
		11-12

**Note: EPID 694 may be split across semesters; e.g., 1 credit in final fall semester and 2 credits in final spring semester. The program encourages distribution of this integrative learning experience if the student is prepared to embark upon it in the final fall semester.

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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