



**Community Health
PhD**
Health and Kinesiology

What is the Community Health PhD About?



The Community Health Ph.D. prepares students for academic and research careers that will enable them to find solutions to the health-related problems facing our society today and into the future.

Examine public health issues | Create innovative solutions | Build stronger communities
Learn about health and rehabilitation services | Become an agent of change

Five Different Areas of Research



Choose the area that best fits your interests

Area of Research	Examples of Study Topics
Health Promotion and Behavioral Intervention	Health behavior, physical activity, nutrition, physical and mental health, perinatal woman health, healthy aging
Health Disparity	Global health, immigrant health, minority health, rural communities
Health Technology from Design to Implementation	Human factors, technology use in diverse populations and in the context of daily life, implications of technology use for health across the life span
Rehabilitation, Disability and Chronic Illness	Wellness, quality of life, psychosocial adjustment, transition, and social participation
Applied Health Data Analytic	Analysis of electronic health records (EHR), operational data, spatially and temporally organized data, dyadic data, etc.

Curriculum



Required Courses:	Required Hours – Entering with approved M.S. degree	Required Hours – Entering with approved B.S. degree*
Advanced research methods/statistics	4	
HK 591 (KIN 591) (enrollment required each semester)	8	12
HK 562 (CHLH 565.SHS 565/RST 560) – Teaching in the Professoriate	4	4
Competency in research methods		12
Two courses in area of specialization	8	8
Additional research methods/statistics		8
Research/Project Hours (HK 590, CHLH 590) (min/max applied toward degree):	max 8	max 16
Elective hours to bring total course work hours to 64	12	12-28
Thesis Hours Required (HK 599, CHLH 599) (min/max applied toward degree):	32	32
Total Hours	64	96

Additional Resources:

[Academic Catalog](#) and [HK Graduate Handbook](#)

Why Study Community Health at Illinois?



- Diverse faculty from around the world with various backgrounds and interests
 - Click [here](#) to view directory
- Graduate students have diverse background to add to the collective interdisciplinary nature of the program
- Flexible program of study
 - Students can customize their curriculum to meet their specific needs/areas of interest.



Application Criteria



- Baccalaureate or Master's degree from accredited institution
 - Minimum 3.50 GPA
- Application materials include
 - 3 letters of recommendation
 - Personal statement
 - Resume
 - Official Transcripts
- International students must be proficient in English
 - [Click here](#) for more details



Application Deadlines



Fall Admissions: **January 15**
Spring Admissions: **October 1**

[Click here](#) to Apply!



Helpful Information



- **Start the process early!**
- **Reach out to faculty with a research program that matches your interest.**
 - Students accepted into the program must have a faculty advisor.
- Resources for application materials
 - [Click here](#)
- Strategies for success
 - [Click here](#)

Campus Overview



- Located in Champaign-Urbana, Illinois
- #12 ranked public university in the country
- Enrollment of 56,000+ students
- All 50 states represented in student body
 - 100+ countries represented as well!
- Information for graduate students:
 - [Campus Resources](#)
 - [Building Community](#)
- Information on C-U community:
 - [Getting to know CU](#)
 - [Experience Champaign Urbana](#)





Reach out if we can help!



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