**Doctor of Philosophy: Healthcare Management and Health Policy**

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| **Required Major Courses**  *(see planning note 3)* | | | | | | | | |
| *18 credit hours* | | | | | | | | *Competencies* |
| PHD 3731L | | 3 | Research Design and Inquiry | |  |  | | PhD-M6 |
| PHD 3743L | | 3 | Organizational and Management Theory | |  |  | | PhD-M4 |
| PHD 3810 | | 3 | Health Policy in the U.S. | |  |  | | PhD-M1 |
| PH 3815 | | 3 | Health Policy Analysis | |  |  | | PhD-M3 |
| PHD 3846L | | 3 | Quality Management and Improvement in Healthcare | |  |  | | PhD-M2 |
| PHD 3946L | | 3 | Strategy, Governance and Leadership | |  |  | |  |
| **Epidemiology Required Course**  *(see planning note 4)* | | | | | | | | |
| *3 credit hours* | | | | | | | | *Competencies* |
| PHM 2612L | | 3 | Introduction to Epidemiology | |  |  | |  |
| **Emphasis Area**  *(see planning note 5)* | | | | | | | | |
| *6 credit hours* | | | | | | | | *Competencies* |
| ***Emphasis: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_*** | | | | | | | |  |
| *6 credit hours of selected required coursework* | | | | | | | |  |
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| **Minor**  *(see planning note 6)* | | | | | | | | |
| *9 credit hours* | | | | | | | | *Notes* |
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| **Electives**  *(see planning note 6)* | | | | | | | | |
| *9 credit hours* | | | | | | | | *Notes* |
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| **Dissertation**  *(see planning note 7)* | | | | | | | | |
| *3 credit hours* | | | | | | | | *Notes* |
| PHD 9999 | | 3 | Dissertation | |  |  | |  |
| **Total Credits** | | **48** | *(see planning note 8)* | | | | | |

*For course availability, including online offerings, please reference the* [*Course Rotation Schedule*](https://web.sph.uth.edu/student-forms/Academic_Requirements/Schedule%20of%20Classes/Reference.Course_Rotation.pdf) *and the* [*Interactive Course Schedule*](https://web.sph.uth.edu/course/CourseSchedule)*.*

*Competency statements can be found in the* [*CEPH Competencies*](https://uthtmc.sharepoint.com/sites/SPH-mySPH/SitePages/CEPH-Competencies.aspx) *index.*

**Planning Notes:**

**Planning Note 1 (Leveling Courses):** Required leveling courses are outlined in the student’s offer of admission letter. At the department’s discretion, students may be eligible to waive these courses if they provide evidence of having successfully completed equivalent coursework previously. Waived courses must have an approved Course Waiver form on file with the Office of Academic Affairs and Student Services. *Academic credits from leveling courses do not count towards the total required number of credits for the degree program.*

**Planning Note 2 (PH 101):** This course is required for all students, including students enrolled in the PhD in Healthcare Management/Health Policy. This course is an online, not-for-credit course that covers the Foundational Knowledge Competencies set forth by CEPH. Students will be added to the course in Canvas during their first semester. Students must complete the course within one year of matriculation.

**Planning Note 3 (Required Major Courses):** All required major courses (18 credit hours) must be completed before the student can take the preliminary exam.

**Planning Note 4 (Epidemiology Required Course):** In accordance with SPH Policy 303, all students must complete one epidemiology course (2500-2999). If students choose to complete PHM 2612L *Introduction to Epidemiology*, the credit hours will not count toward the total credit hours required for this doctoral degree. The epidemiology requirement can be fulfilled if the student takes an epidemiology course through the minor and/or breadth requirements (*see planning note 6*). Students are required to complete the minimum 48 credit hour requirement for their degree (*see planning note 8*).

**Planning Note 5 (Emphasis Area):** Students must complete specialized coursework in either Healthcare Management or Health Policy. Students must complete 6 credit hours of required selected coursework from one area of emphasis below.

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| ***Healthcare Management*** | | | | |  |
| *6 credit hours of selected required coursework in Healthcare Management* | | | | | *Competencies* |
| PH 3736L | 3 | *U.S. Healthcare Payment Systems and Policy* |  |  |  |
| PHD 3812 | 3 | *Comparative Health Systems* |  |  |  |
| PH 3825 | 3 | *Public Health Law* |  |  |  |
| PHD 3910 | 3 | *Health Economics* |  |  |  |
| PHD 3922 | 3 | *Economic and Social Determinants of Health* |  |  |  |
| PH 3940 | 3 | *Healthcare Outcomes and Quality Research* |  |  |  |
| ***Health Policy*** | | | | |  |
| *6 credit hours of selected required coursework in Health Policy* | | | | | *Competencies* |
| PHD 3812 | 3 | *Comparative Health Systems* |  |  |  |
| PH 3818 | 3 | *Texas Health Policy: Emerging Issues and New Approaches* |  |  |  |
| PH 3825 | 3 | *Public Health Law* |  |  |  |
| PHD 3830 | 3 | *Ethics and Policy* |  |  |  |
| PH 3736L | 3 | *U.S. Healthcare Payment Systems and Policy* |  |  |  |
| PH 3915 | 3 | *Methods for the Economic Evaluation of Health Programs* |  |  |  |
| PHD 3998 | 3 | *ST: Advanced Policy Studies with Topical Content* |  |  |  |

**Planning Note 6 (Electives):** Students are required to complete a minimum of 6 credit hours of elective coursework. Students should consult with their advisor when selecting elective courses.

**Planning Note 7 (Dissertation):** If there is elective space available, a total of 6 credit hours of dissertation can be applied to the degree, with 3 of those credits counting as electives.A minimum of 3 credit hours of dissertation is required. A maximum of 6 credit hours of dissertation will count towards the degree requirement. Students are strongly encouraged to enrollin *PHD 3970 Doctoral Dissertation Proposal Development for MPCH (3 credits)* to prepare for the dissertation proposal; this course does count towards the maximum 6 credit hours of dissertation that can be applied towards the minimum 48 credit hours required for the degree (*see planning note 8*).

**Planning Note 8 (Total Credits):** Completion of a prescribed course of study of at least one (1) academic year and a minimum of at least 48 semester credit hours. A maximum of six (6) semester credit hours of dissertation count toward the minimum 48 credit hours. If the student chooses to elect a practicum, no more than three (3) credit hours of practicum and three (3) credit hours of dissertation count toward the minimum of 48 credit hours. Therefore, at least 42 credit hours of courses other than practicum or dissertation must be successfully completed.