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Dear Howie:

Based on the recommendation of its Subcommittee on Admissions and Programs, the Faculty Council on Academic Standards has recommended approval of a continuation policy and the revised program requirements for both the Bachelor of Arts and the Bachelor of Science degrees in Public Health. A copy of the changes is attached.

I am writing to inform you that the School of Public Health is authorized to specify these requirements beginning winter quarter 2013.

The new requirements should be incorporated in printed statements and in individual department websites as soon as possible. The *General Catalog* website will be updated accordingly by the Registrar's Office.

Sincerely yours,

Michael K. Young President

Enclosure

cc: Ms. Susan Inman (with enclosure)

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1. Continuation Policy

While the University has general regulations governing scholastic eligibility and satisfactory progress, the undergraduate program in public health has adopted additional requirements in order to make the best use of facilities and resources and to provide reasonable assurance of academic success. The following criteria and procedures will be applied to determine continuation in the Public Health Major. Students are encouraged to review their academic progress and be proactive about seeking advice for problems affecting performance or participation in the program.

Basic Criteria for continuation applicable to all students in the Public Health Major:

- Full-time students must complete 9 or more credit hours per academic quarter except summer that are applicable towards their degree(s).
- Part-time attendance is possible and students must complete at least one course each quarter that is applicable towards their degree(s).
- Students must earn a cumulative 2.0 in all public health foundation courses as well as the public health capstone.
- Courses used to satisfy degree requirements cannot be taken on a satisfactory/non-satisfactory basis.
- All students must maintain both an overall and public health GPA of at least 2.00. If either GPA falls below 2.00, the students will be placed on academic probation. Students cannot be on probation more than two consecutive quarters.
- Students must take courses in the appropriate sequence. All prerequisites must be completed before registering for a course, unless permission is obtained from the instructor.
- Students must file a graduation application with the undergraduate program adviser(s) in accordance with University regulations, to ensure graduation once all requirements have been satisfied.
- Students receiving satisfactory progress registration holds should immediately contact the undergraduate program adviser(s) to file a graduation application.

The program recognizes that exceptional circumstances (e.g. death in the family, serious illness) may delay degree progress. In addition, educational opportunities such as study abroad or internship opportunities may warrant the extension of a student's program.

Students who do not meet basic criteria for continuation in the Public Health Major will be first placed on School probation. Students on probation who do not meet minimum expectations by the end of the following quarter will be dropped from the major.

The undergraduate program adviser(s) monitors progress for undergraduate students each quarter and students will be notified of academic probation or drop by email as soon as practical after receiving the previous quarter's grade reports.

Students on probation are expected to meet with the undergraduate program adviser(s) to determine a plan for successful completion of program requirements which may include repeating or replacing a course. Students who meet expectations by the end of the quarter (longer if deemed necessary for courses taught only once a year) will be removed from probation.

Appealing a Drop

A student who is dropped under the continuation policy may file a written appeal with the Public Health Major Program Office. The appeal must be submitted within fifteen working days after the drop letter was dated. The appeal should state all the facts the student believes justify reconsideration. The Public Health Major Program Director will review the facts and render a decision within fifteen working days after the appeal is received.

2. Program Requirement:

Excerpt from Current Catalog Copy

Bachelor of Arts Major Requirements

78-79 credits, as follows:

- 1. Public Health Foundation (24 credits): ENV H 311, EPI 420, G H 101, GEOG 280, HSERV 480, HSERV 481, and NUTR 300.
- 2. Statistics Course (4-5 credits): from among BIOST 310, Q METH 201, STAT 220, STAT 221, STAT 311, or Q SCI 381. BIOST 310 Biostatistics for the Health Sciences is the preferred course to meet this requirement.
- 3. Social and Behavioral Sciences (20 credits): One 5-credit course from each of the following departments: Anthropology (ANTH only), Political Science, Psychology, and Sociology; minimum 15 credits at the 200 level or above.
- 4. Science Coursework (10 credits):
 - a. 5 credits biology selected from BIOL 118, BIOL 180, MICROM 301/MICROM 302.
 - b. 5 credits chemistry selected from CHEM 120, CHEM 142, CHEM 145
- 5. Public Health Capstone (5 credits): SPH 493 (minimum 2.0 grade)
- 6. Public Health Electives (15 credits): See website or adviser for approved list. Any course not on the list must be approved by the Public Health adviser.
- 7. Minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA for courses applied to the major

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