

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete at VCCS					Complete at Radford University		
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT	SATISFIED BY				BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		
Course	Credits	Gen ED*	CC Course	Notes	Course	Credits	Notes
UNIV 100: Introduction to Higher Education	1-2		SDV 100 College Success Skills or 101 Orientation		HADM 300: US Healthcare Systems	3	
ENGL 111: Principles of College Composition	3	PUA	ENG 111 College Comp I		HSCI 300: Foundations in Healthcare Research	3	
ENGL 112: Critical Reading and Writing in the Digital Age	3	UA	ENG 112 College Comp II or 113 Tech-Prof Writing		HSCI 325: Professional Communication in Health Sciences	3	
SOCY 110: Introduction to Sociology	3	PUA	SOC 200		HSCI 350: Principles of Health Education and Promotion	3	
PHIL 111: Introduction to Philosophy	3	UA	PHI 100		HSCI 410: Program Planning and Evaluation for Health Education	3	
PSYC 121: Introductory Psychology	3	PUA	PSY 200 Introduction to Psychology		PBHL 310: Public Health Biology	3	May be replaced if the student has two semesters of Human Anatomy and Physiology and has taken Microbiology; A 300-400 level elective may then be used to replace PBHL 310.
General Education Elective	3	PUA	Any UCGS History		PBHL 320: Social Determinants of Health	3	

BIOL 105: Biology for Health Sciences	4	PUA	BIO 101 Introduction to Biology		PBHL 340: Behavior Change Theory and Practice in Public Health	3	
MATH: 100, 116, 121, or 125	3	PUA	Math prerequisite course	Students must take one foundation MATH (100-level) Elective. Require 3 credits of MTH. MTH 154 or 161 are recommended.	PBHL 350: Principles of Public Health	3	
STAT 200: Introduction to Statistics	3	PUA	MTH 245: Statistics		PBHL 370: Fundamentals of Epidemiology	3	
Any General Elective	3-4	UA	Any UCGS transfer course		PBHL 382: Public Health Ethics, Policy, and Law	3	
PBHL 150: Survey of U.S. Public Health	3		HLT 228 Intro to Public Health		PBHL 390: Interprofessional Community Collaboration and Advocacy	3	
NUTR 214: Introduction to Nutrition	3		HLT 230 Principles of Nutrition		PBHL 395: Professional Seminar	3	
Any 9 credits of BIOL or CHEM Elective: BIO 141 will transfer as BIO 310: Human Anatomy and Physiology I	At least 9-15		Clinic Focus: BIO 102 General Biology II BIO 206 Cell Biology BIO 141 & 142 Human Anatomy & Physiology I and II	Students must take at least 9 credit hours of biology or chemistry courses. Recommended courses include BIO 141, 142, and 150 or 205.	PBHL 400: Public Health Biostatistics OR 300-400 Level Elective	3	
					PBHL 415: Population Health Management	3	

BIO 142 will transfer as BIOL 311: Human Anatomy and Physiology II BIO 150 or 205 will transfer as BIOL 334: Microbiology			BIO 150 Microbiology for Health Science BIO 205 General Microbiology HLT 143 Medical Terminology BIO 256 General Genetics MTH 263 Calc I		PBHL 425: Environmental and Occupational Health	3	
PSY 230: Developmental Psychology will transfer as PSYC 230: Developmental Psychology HLT 110: Personal and Community Health will transfer as PBHL 110: Personal Health HLT 241: Global Health Perspectives will transfer as PBHL 210: Survey of Global Environmental Health	At least 9-15		Social Science focus: ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics HLT 241 Global Health Perspectives HLT 110 Personal and Community Health PHI 227 Bio-Medical Ethics PSY 230 Developmental Psychology SOC 200 Introduction to Sociology SOC 226 Human Sexuality	Students must take PSY 230: Developmental Psychology. Additional credits will count towards general transfer electives.	PBHL 450: Global Health Issues	3	
					PBHL 455: Health Communication and Social Marketing	3	
					Culminating Experience: PBHL 485: Capstone Project I OR PBHL 494: Internship I	3	The culminating experience is part of an experiential learning series. Students choose between two semesters of the capstone project or the internship series.
			Additional transfer electives, if needed to meet 60 credits		Culminating Experience: PBHL 486: Capstone Project II OR PBHL 495: Internship II	3	The culminating experience is part of an experiential learning series. Students follow up with part two of their capstone project or internship series.
CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60-62					CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 60		
* A = Completion of the Associate Degree satisfies this General Education Requirement. U = This course satisfies a Uniform Certificate of General Studies requirement. P = This course satisfies a Passport requirement.							

TRANSFER GUIDANCE

Guaranteed Admission Agreement

By meeting the following criteria, students who complete the prescribed curriculum and meet the criteria are guaranteed admission into Radford University.

- Earn a transfer associate degree
- Earn a minimum of 2.8 GPA for the associate degree
- Good academic standing at current institution

IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- **University Transfer Center:** <https://admissions.radford.edu>
- **Admission Application:** By March 1 for priority fall admission and November 1 for priority spring admission at <https://radford-info.org/transfer/>
- **Financial Aid:** <https://www.radford.edu/fin-aid>
- **FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid:** <https://studentaid.gov>

WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Create a schedule for all required courses, pay attention to prerequisites and when courses are offered, complete your first math and English courses in your first year. For help, see Transfer Steps and Resource Center at www.TransferVirginia.org
- Connect with an advisor at your community college and Radford University within your first year. College Connect is available in your account at www.TransferVirginia.org
- Attend a Radford University B.S. in Public Health virtual information session. See the www.TransferVirginia.org Event Calendar for specific dates and times.

IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

- The Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Public Health is an interdisciplinary degree that prepares you to improve community health and wellness through education, advocacy, and service.
- If you want to make a difference in your community, this is the degree for you!
- You will learn to promote healthy lifestyles and tackle pressing community health needs, such as chronic disease, substance use addiction, aging populations, mental illness, outbreaks, and disaster preparedness.
- This degree will prepare you to enter the public health workforce and/or graduate programs in public health, health education, health promotion, or other health-related fields.
- In this program, you will have personalized instruction and faculty advising. Your program offers small class sizes that enhance relationships.
- The B.S. in Public Health degree is transfer-friendly. The 2+2 plan has 60 credits eligible for transfer from the Virginia Community College System.

WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON MY DEGREE OF WORK I HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED?

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** The completion of the transfer-oriented degree program will satisfy the REAL Curriculum (lower division/general education) requirements. Students will need to complete all other University, college, and departmental requirements in order to obtain the baccalaureate degree from RU.

- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** Students completing the associate degree in high school should apply using the freshman application. If admitted, the student will receive the benefits associated with the transferable associate degree (as noted prior).
- **Credit for Prior Learning:** AP, IB, and CLEP are evaluated for credits (based on receipt and evaluation of official scores).
- **Catalog Year:** Students will be subject to the catalog in effect at the time of enrollment at RU unless otherwise requested.

IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Located in the Blue Ridge Mountain region with Radford and Roanoke, Virginia sites, Radford University's campus community is well-known for strong faculty/student bonds, vibrant student life and a commitment to student support.
- Situated in the stunning landscape of southwest Virginia, there are plenty of nearby opportunities to explore the outdoors.
- With 70+ bachelor's degree programs across a variety of disciplines, the classes at Radford are hands-on in state-of-the-art facilities or offered in an engaging online environment. Programs are designed to help you prepare for your chosen career path.
- Transfer students have the option of choosing to live on-campus or off-campus within the local area.
- Over 80% of students receive some form of financial aid.
- 16 Division 1 teams and 300+ student organizations.
- Learn more about our college at [Home](#) | [Transfer Virginia](#).

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- The field of public health promotes and protects the health of people and the communities where they live, learn, work, and play.
- Public health professionals are in high demand. Public health is one of the fastest-growing undergraduate degrees in the United States, with a 16-21% faster than average expected employment growth by 2026, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

- Take a look at jobs that a Public Health Degree can offer with [101+Careers in Public Health](#).
- Many graduates find successful employment as Health Education Specialists in healthcare, government, community/non-profit organizations, schools, and corporate settings.

PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

- B.S. in Public Health courses require students to engage with faculty and peers through multiple synchronous Zoom sessions each semester.
- You will engage in a real-world culminating learning experience. The program offers every student an opportunity to apply acquired knowledge and skills through the completion of an internship or capstone project. You will partner with a health organization in your community to complete two semesters of an internship (240 hours), or you will collaborate with a faculty mentor to develop and implement a research-oriented project.
- Students will have access to a professional career coach to assist with resume writing, interviewing techniques, and employment searching.

- The B.S. in Public Health program at Radford University is a member of the Undergraduate Network of the Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health (ASPPH).
- Students and alumni are actively involved in community service, outreach activities, and special events, including the Virginia Medical Reserve Corps, The American Red Cross, Hands-on-Healthcare, Special Olympics Healthy Athletes, National Health Education Week, and National Public Health Week.
- Students are encouraged to attend professional conferences, trainings, and virtual webinars, including the Series on Public Health and Healthcare Leadership.

WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

- Submit the online Radford University Application.
- Submit official transcript(s) from all institutions – high school OR all higher education institution(s) to the admissions department.
- A minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA is required for admission, with at least a minimum cumulative 2.8 GPA preferred.
- Learn more about applying at <https://www.radford.edu/content/wchs/home/public-health.html>

DO MORE WITH YOUR DEGREE!

- After completion of your degree, take the national [Certified Health Education Specialist \(CHES®\)](#) examination.
- Continue your education at Radford University by pursuing a [Master of Healthcare Administration](#) or [M.S. Health Sciences](#) degree.

OTHER THAN CLASSES, ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?

- The B.S. in Public Health requires students to complete their Plan of Study with a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA. All program-specific and minor courses require a minimum letter grade of “C” or higher.
- All students are required to complete a culminating learning experience through either a 240-hour internship or a research-oriented capstone project under the supervision of a faculty member.