The Bachelor of Science in Public Health prepares students to immediately enter and find success in the public health environment (community health, health education, health and safety administration) or to pursue graduate studies in public health, public policy, health administration and associated fields.

As a public health major, you will explore the history and principles of public health, community health, public health leadership, health promotion, marketing, multicultural populations, global health and health policy, all within a rigorous curriculum.

All public health majors complete a 150-hour internship with a supervisor who is a public health professional. This provides you with practical learning experiences to complement your studies and prepares you for a smooth transition to employment or advanced studies.

The public health field relies heavily upon its practitioners and professionals to exercise sound judgment and reasoning, which is in keeping with St. Bonaventure’s Catholic Franciscan heritage. We address questions of ethics from a health perspective as part of our commitment to developing knowledgeable, skilled, compassionate and ethical individuals who value individual dignity, community inclusiveness, and service to others.

The demand for public health professionals is high and expected to remain so for some time. The number of degrees awarded in health professions fields increased by 169% from 2004 to 2014, according to the National Center for Education Statistics. What’s more, demand for bachelor’s level health professionals increased 41 percent over the past three years alone, said the Educational Advisory Board.

The U.S. Census Bureau reports that approximately 12 percent of U.S. citizens live in poverty, and the percentage of Americans without health insurance is also a concern, according to a Gallup-Sharecare Well-Being Index. As a public health major, you will be prepared to address these and other challenges facing the public health industry.

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### Code | Title | Credits
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PHB-101 | INTRO TO PUBLIC HEALTH | 18
PHB-102 | GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH |
PHB-201 | BIOSTATISTICS IN PUBLIC HEALTH |
PHB-202 | MARKETING & COMMUNICATION IN PUBLIC HEALTH |
PHB-301 | HEALTH PROMOTION PROGRAMMING |
PHB-302 | DIVERSITY & INCLUSION IN PUBLIC HEALTH |

### Public Health Electives
Select two of the following:
- ECO-102 MACROECONOMIC PRINCIPLES
- ENV-101 INTRODUCTION TO SUSTAINABLE SYSTEMS
- HS-309 NUTRITION
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