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## PUBLIC HEALTH MINOR

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Public Health  
Excellence*





## The Public Health Minor at Auburn University

If you are considering a health-related field of study, the undergraduate Public Health minor at Auburn University can enhance your learning experience and your resume. The Public Health minor is administered through the College of Veterinary Medicine; all required courses can be completed in one summer. The curriculum provides students with a broad understanding of the diversity of the public health field, socio-economic factors that influence access to healthcare, and determinants of disease.



## Goals of the Public Health Minor

Students completing the public health minor will:

- (1) understand and be able to communicate the scope and relevance of public health in everyday life; and
- (2) be better prepared to enter public health fields and related advanced degree programs.

## Who can enroll in the Public Health Minor

Students come from a wide range of undergraduate majors, including: Pre-Med, Pre-Nursing, Animal Sciences/ Pre-Vet, Health Services Administration, Kinesiology, Nutrition and Wellness, Microbial Biology, Pre-Communication Disorders, and Human Development Family Sciences.

## Core Courses

**OFFERED ONLY DURING SUMMER SEMESTER**

### VBMS 2100: Introduction to Public Health

In this survey course, speakers present material related to their public health areas of expertise. Some of the subjects covered include: water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH); addiction, obesity; cancer; displaced populations, maternal and child health, heavy metals and endocrine disruptors in the environment, health literacy, social justice, and the “greying” of America.

### VBMS 3010: Introduction to Epidemiology

This course provides an introduction to the science of population medicine, and the epidemiologic and statistical techniques (some as old as the germ theory of disease) and strategies which are used for disease detection, prevention, and control.

### VBMS 4830: Global and Comparative Health Systems

This course compares the U.S. health system with selected health systems around the world by focusing on models of universal health care along with the financing and the delivery of medical services and care.

**OFFERED EACH SEMESTER**

### VBMS 4910: Observing needs in Public Health

40 volunteer service hours along with class discussion on underserved populations and access to health care are required in order to meet the requirements for this course.

**Where Graduates are now**

- Master of public health (MPH) programs
- Medical School
- Veterinary School
- Advanced degree studies