Degree Requirements and Competencies for the MS in Environmental Health Sciences: Applied Area of Emphasis: Occupational Hygiene (effective summer 2022)

Required Coursework

	Credits
DEOHS Common Core	
BIOST 511 (Medical Biometry I, Autumn)	4
EPI 511 (Introduction to Epidemiology, Autumn)	4
ENV H 501 (Foundations of Environmental & Occupational Health, Autumn)	4
ENV H 502 (Assessing & Managing Risks from Human Exposure to Environmental Contaminants, Winter)	4
ENV H 503 (Adverse Health Effects of Environmental and Occupational Toxicants, Autumn)	4
ENV H 580 (Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences Seminar, Autumn/Winter/Spring)	3 x 1 = 3 ¹
Area of Emphasis: Occupational Hygiene	
ENV H 550 (Occupational and Environmental Disease, Spring)	3
ENV H 553 (Environmental Exposure Monitoring Methods, Winter)	4
ENV H 555 (Instrumental Methods for Industrial Hygiene Measurement: Laboratory, Spring)	3
ENV H 557 (Exposure Controls, Winter)	4 ²
ENV H 560 (Occupational Safety Management, Winter)	4
ENV H 563 (Health and Safety of Physical Agents in the Workplace, Spring)	3
ENV H 564 (Recognition of Health and Safety Problems in Industry, Winter)	2
Culminating Experience (Thesis)	
ENV H 598 (Degree Program Project/Portfolio, All Quarters)	3
ENV H 599 (Field Studies, All Quarters)	3
Total Minimum Credits	52

- 1. Three quarters of ENV H 580 are required for a total of 3 credits.
- 2. Students in this Area of Emphasis complete an additional 1-credit ventilation module in ENV H 557 for a total of 4 credits.

Additional Requirements

• Students in this degree program are required to complete a culminating project.

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Degree Competencies

Upon completion of this degree program, you will be able to:

School of Public Health -- All MS Students

- Explain public health history, philosophy and values
- Identify the core functions of public health and the 10 Essential Services
- Explain the role of quantitative and qualitative methods and sciences in describing and assessing a population's health
- List major causes and trends of morbidity and mortality in the US or other community relevant to the school or program
- Discuss the science of primary, secondary and tertiary prevention in population health, including health promotion, screening, etc.
- Explain the critical importance of evidence in advancing public health knowledge
- Explain effects of environmental factors on a population's health
- Explain biological and genetic factors that affect a population's health
- Explain behavioral and psychological factors that affect a population's health
- Explain the social, political and economic determinants of health and how they contribute to population health and health inequities
- Explain how globalization affects global burdens of disease
- Explain an ecological perspective on the connections among human health, animal health, and ecosystem health (e.g., One Health)
- Recognize the means by which social inequities and racism, generated by power and privilege, undermine health

DEOHS -- MS in Environmental Health Sciences: Applied

- Apply the major components of the environmental and occupational health framework (problem formulation, hazard identification, dose-response assessment, exposure assessment, risk characterization, risk communication, risk management, evaluation, stakeholder engagement, and research) in order to address environmental public health problems experienced in the community or work environment
- Use epidemiological and statistical techniques to describe and analyze environmental and occupational health data
- Identify a current, practical problem in environmental health sciences and collect, integrate and analyze relevant information to produce practical solutions.

DEOHS – Area of Emphasis: Occupational Hygiene

- Develop comprehensive solutions to control health hazards associated with workplace exposures
- Design and implement effective exposure assessment strategies to assess the variability and magnitude of workplace exposures

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- Demonstrate the use and limitations of accepted sampling and analysis methods for workplace hazards and use of quality control measures for exposure assessments in the workplace
- Explain the effects on the human body of exposures encountered in workplace settings
- Determine potential health hazards associated with processes, industries, and agents using observation skills and reviewing appropriate standards and literature in order to anticipate worker exposure and potential health risks
- Recognize and consider how ethical, social, structural, and cultural issues impact worker health
- Summarize exposure assessment data and communicate results and recommendations to diverse audiences.