

Community and Behavioral Health, Ph.D.

Learning Outcomes

Graduates of the Doctor of Philosophy program in community and behavioral health will be able to:

- apply social and behavioral science theories in public health research;
- produce effective scientific writing;
- demonstrate grant-writing skills;
- participate in interdisciplinary research;
- communicate research findings to various audiences, including policy makers and community members;
- design a research study that incorporates knowledge of pertinent cultural, social, behavioral, and biological factors;
- design a theory-informed, community-based intervention research project;
- design an implementation and evaluation plan for a theory-informed, community-based intervention;
- formulate focused research questions to address gaps in community and behavioral health knowledge;
- evaluate social and behavioral science research design, methodology, and analysis related to public health; and
- evaluate how structural bias, social inequities, and racism undermine health and create challenges to achieving health equity at organizational, community, and societal levels.