Occupational and Environmental Health, Ph.D.

Academic Plans

Sample Plan of Study
Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course Title Hours
Academic Career
Any Semester
72 s.h. must be graduate level coursework; up to 33 s.h. of graduate transfer credits allowed upon approval. Required courses listed below may be waived if already taken at the graduate level. More information is included in the General Catalog and on department website.

Maintain at least a 3.00 cumulative GPA.

First Year
Fall
OEH:4240 Global Environmental Health 3
OEH:5620 Occupational Health 3
OEH:5010 Occupational and Environmental Health Seminar b 0
EPID:4400 Epidemiology I: Principles 3
CPH:6100 Essentials of Public Health c 2
CPH:7270 Principles of Scholarly Integrity: Public Health d 0

Spring
BIOS:4120 Introduction to Biostatistics 3
OEH:5010 Occupational and Environmental Health Seminar b 0
OEH:7070 Interpreting Occupational and Environmental Health Research 3
CPH:7270 Principles of Scholarly Integrity: Public Health d 1

Elective course e 3
Elective course e 3

Hours 11

Second Year
Any Semester
Preliminary Assessment f

Fall
OEH:6460 Quantitative Exposure Assessment: Study Design and Evaluation g

Required Selective course h 3
Required Selective course h 3
Elective course e 3

Hours 12

Spring
OEH:5010 Occupational and Environmental Health Seminar b 0
OEH:7060 Research Design in Occupational and Environmental Health 3

Required Selective course h 3
Elective course e 3
Elective course e 3

Hours 13

Third Year
Any Semester
Proposal Review i
Comprehensive Exam j

Hours 0

Fall
Elective course e 3
OEH:7000 Thesis/Dissertation k 9

Hours 12

Spring
OEH:7000 Thesis/Dissertation k 9

Hours 9

Fourth Year
Fall
OEH:7000 Thesis/Dissertation k 1

Hours 1

Spring
OEH:7000 Thesis/Dissertation k 1
Final Exam l

Hours 1

Total Hours 72

a Students must complete specific requirements in the University of Iowa Graduate College after program admission. Refer to the Graduate College website and the Manual of Rules and Regulations for more information.
b Complete OEH:5010 three times, twice for 0 s.h. and then once for 1 s.h.
c Take during the first semester of the program; not required if student has earned an MPH degree.
d Complete CPH:7270 twice, first for 0 s.h. and then for 1 s.h.
e Students must earn a minimum of 18 s.h. in non-research-related courses, including classroom courses or equivalent web-based courses. Students work with their advisor to select courses appropriate for their professional goals.
f Complete by the end of the third semester.
g Or take OEH:6520 during second year spring semester.
h See the General Catalog for list of approved courses; work with faculty advisor to determine appropriate graduate coursework and sequence.
i Complete prior to semester in which the dissertation defense takes place.
j Consists of a written and oral component; complete by the end of the fifth semester.
k Research credits may also be earned by taking any combination of OEH:7000, OEH:7020, and additional classroom courses. Work with faculty advisor to determine appropriate coursework and sequence.
I. Dissertation defense.