## Community Health Sciences: Competencies for the M.P.H. Degree

*Upon graduation, a student with an M.P.H. should be able to do the following:*

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<th>Competency</th>
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| 1. Access and understand the public health literature and information and apply it to community health. | CHS 210  
CHS 211AB                                                                                       |
| 2. Describe theories, concepts, models from the social and behavioral sciences and apply these theories to community health practice. | CHS 210  
CHS 211AB*  
CHS 400 Fieldwork                                                                 |
| 3. Identify and explain how social, cultural, and behavioral factors affect the health of individuals, communities and populations. | CHS 210  
CHS 211AB*                                                                                      |
| 4. Describe how health inequities are related to historical and contemporary structural inequities in power and privilege. | CHS 210  
CHS 211AB                                                                                      |
| 5. Describe, explain and apply procedures for evidence-based planning and implementation of community health programs, policies and interventions. | CHS 211A*  
CHS 400 Fieldwork                                                                               |
| 6. Recognize when existing approaches may not be culturally appropriate for a particular population and to collaborate with communities and others to design, implement and evaluate more suitable health programs. | CHS 210  
CHS 211AB  
CHS400 Fieldwork                                                                                 |
| 7. Identify, explain and apply steps and procedures based on social science approaches for evidence-based evaluation of community health programs, policies and interventions, including community-based participatory research. | CHS 211B*  
CHS 400 Fieldwork                                                                               |
| 8. Apply basic principles of biostatistics, epidemiology, environmental health sciences, and health policy and management to community health issues. | 211AB*                                                                                          |
| 9. Effectively communicate orally and in writing with public health professionals, members of the community, and stakeholders about community health issues, interventions, programs, and policies. | CHS 210  
CHS 211AB  
CHS400 Fieldwork                                                                                 |
| 10. Behave in an ethical manner in practice and research and in interactions with others. | CHS 210  
CHS 211AB                                                                                      |

Evaluation of competencies to be demonstrated through:  
CHS210: Exams  
CHS211ab: Exams and final projects  
CHS400: Fieldwork notes and project summary  
* Evaluation also via comprehensive exam at end of program