

UMBC UGC Program Changes & Other Request: Sociology, Anthropology and Health Administration & Policy Department

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Specifics (see instructions):

We request the following change to the Accelerated Pathways Program (BA/MPP) in HAPP-Public Policy:

1. Substitute PUBL 603-Theory & Practice of Policy Analysis with PUBL 623-Governmental Budgeting to replace POLI 353-Governmental Budgeting & Financial Administration in the HAPP requirement.

Proposed BA/MPP course requirements

This MPP course...	will replace this HAPP course
PUBL 603 Theory & Practice of Policy Analysis (REMOVE)	POLI 353 Governmental Budgeting & Financial Administration
ECON 652 Health Economics	ECON 467 Health Economics
PUBL 652 Politics of Health	HAPP upper level elective
PUBL 618 Health Care Financing & Service Delivery	HAPP upper level elective

Proposed BA/MPP course requirements

This MPP course...	will replace this HAPP course
PUBL 623 Governmental Budgeting (NEW)	POLI 353 Governmental Budgeting & Financial Administration
ECON 652 Health Economics	ECON 467 Health Economics
PUBL 652 Politics of Health	HAPP upper level elective
PUBL 618 Health Care Financing & Service Delivery	HAPP upper level elective

These changes are reflected in the HAPP Curriculum as follows: (in red text)

HAPP Curriculum

Core Curriculum : 28 credits
HAPP 100: Survey Of the U.S. Health Care System
HAPP 200: Human Development, Implications for Health and Disease
STAT 121 OR STAT 350 OR STAT 351 OR SOCY 301 (Pre-Req SOCY 300, department consent, and STAT readiness test)
HAPP 340: Health Communications* (Pre-Req: Engl 100) OR ENGL 393 Technical Writing (WI)
HAPP 350: Public Health Ethics* (Pre-Req: HAPP 100) OR MGMT 385 Business Ethics & Society
HAPP 300 OR HAPP 412: Research Methods in Health (Pre-Req HAPP 100, 2.5 or higher GPA & Statistics)
HAPP/SOCY 452: Health Care Organization & Delivery (Jr/Sr Year, Pre-Req: HAPP 100 or SOCY 351)
PRAC 098 taken concurrently with HAPP 470 Internship (Pre-Req: HAPP 100, 90+ credits, 2.5 or higher GPA) and HAPP 412 or HAPP 300)

Track I: Health Services Administration: 12 credits
ECON 121: Principles of Accounting I
MGMT 210: The Practice of Management
HAPP 497: Health Planning and Administration (Fall only; Pre-Req HAPP 100 & MGMT 210
HAPP 498: Financial Management and Decision Support for Health Service Organizations (Spring only; Pre-Req: Happ 100 or EHS 200 or AGNG 200 AND Econ 121)

Track II: Health Policy: 12 credits
ECON 101: Principles of Microeconomics
POLI 250: Introduction to Public Administration (Fall only; Recommended sophomore or POLI 100)
POLI 353: Government Budgeting and Financial Management (Spring only; WI, Recommended junior or POLI 250)
HAPP 411: Health Care Regulation and Quality Improvement (Pre-Req HAPP 100 & ENGL 393 or HAPP 340)
Track III: Public Health: 12 credits
HAPP/SOCY 354: Social Basis of Community and Public Health (Pre-Req: HAPP 100 or SOCY 101 or ANTH 211)
HAPP 380: Global Issues in Health and Disease (Pre-Req: HAPP 100)
HAPP 411: Health Care Regulation and Quality Improvement (Pre-Req HAPP 100 & ENGL 393 or HAPP 340)
HAPP 420: Epidemiology (Pre -Req HAPP 412 or HAPP 300 or SOCY 300 AND SOCY 301)

APPROVED ELECTIVES: 9 credits required for all tracks.

HAPP Upper Level Elective #1
(ECON 652 Health Economics)

HAPP Upper Level Elective #2
(PUBL 652 Politics of Health)

HAPP Upper Level Elective #3
(PUBL 618 Health Care Financing & Service Delivery)

Rationale (see instructions):

Undergraduates in Health Administration & Policy with interest in U.S. health problems and policies have the option to apply to the Accelerated Pathways Program (BA/MPP). The current program requirements offer students the option to enroll in PUBL 603 Theory & Practice of Policy Analysis to substitute for POLI 353: Government Budgeting and Financial Management in their HAPP undergraduate curriculum. The School of Public Policy suggested PUBL 623 Governmental Budgeting as a better substitute for POLI 353-Governmental Budgeting & Financial Administration, compared to PUBL 603-Theory & Practice of Policy Analysis. This change represents a better fit for both programs and all programs involved have approved the change (see letters of support).

Students who declare the HAPP major, follow track II (Health Policy) and are admitted to the Accelerated Pathways Program, can use one of the MPP courses to meet track requirements and the additional three MPP courses to meet elective requirements, for a total of 4 graduate-level courses (12 credits). Two of the three required undergraduate HAPP electives must be upper level credits, so the MPP courses help students meet this important undergraduate requirement as they move through the Accelerated Pathways Program.