

BSC (HONS) (PUBLIC HEALTH SCIENCES) - CK706

Overview

Status: Active

National Framework Of Qualifications (NFQ) Level: 8

NFQ Award Class: Major Award

Duration Full Time: 4 Academic Year(s)

Total Credits: 240

Delivery Method: In-Person

Connected Curriculum:

- Civic and Community Engagement
- Employability
- Global Reach
- Inter-and Transdisciplinary
- Research Based Teaching
- Sustainability

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- Clean Water and Sanitation
- Climate Action
- Good Health and Well-being
- Reduced Inequality
- Partnerships to Achieve SDGs

Graduate Attributes:

- Creator, evaluator and communicator of knowledge
- Digitally Fluent
- Effective global citizen
- Independent and creative thinker
- Socially Responsible

Work-Integrated Learning (Including Placement):

Yes

UCC policies applying to applicants/students on this programme:

- Student Vetting Policy and Procedure

This is a four-year, full-time undergraduate programme, leading to the award of a BSc (Hons) Public Health Sciences. The programme includes a work placement module and the option of studying abroad in the Third Year.

First Year - Public Health Sciences

To be admitted to the First University Examination in Public Health Sciences a student must have satisfactorily attended modules to the value of **60** credits.

Second Year - Public Health Sciences

No student may register for the Second Year programme of study until the First University Examination has been passed. To be admitted to the Second University Examination in Public Health Sciences a student must have satisfactorily attended modules to the value of **60** credits.

Study Abroad Option (Third Year)

A limited number of students may be allowed to study at an approved university in another country for one single semester, or the whole year, of the Third Year of the BSc Public Health Sciences programme. Second Year students must submit an application to study abroad to the Dean, School of Public Health by the end of the last teaching week in Semester 1. Permission to undertake any study abroad will be conditional on the student achieving at least an Upper Second Class Honours (2H1) in the Second University Examination in Public Health Sciences in the Summer examination.

Third Year - Public Health Sciences

No student may register for the Third Year programme of study until the Second University Examination has been passed. With the exception of students availing of the year abroad option the Third Year Public Health Sciences programme consists of core taught modules to the value of **40** credits, a Work Placement module to the value of **10** credits and elective modules to the value of **10** credits.

Third Year Study Abroad Students

A limited number of students may be permitted to undertake one semester or the whole of the Third Year of their BSc Public Health Sciences studies at an approved institution abroad. This option is only available to students who obtain at least a Second Class Honours (2H1) in the Second University Examination in Public Health Sciences, at the Summer examinations. Applications, including the proposed workload at the host institution, should be submitted to the Dean, School of Public Health before the end of the last teaching week in Semester 1 in the Second Year.

Please note that the number of students who can avail of study-abroad options will be limited in any given year. Where the demand exceeds the number of available places, the School will adjudicate on the applications. The adjudication will be based on the following criteria

1. the student's performance in the Second University Examination in Public Health Sciences;
2. the quality of the application; and
3. an interview may be required.

Students Spending One Semester Abroad

Students studying for one Semester abroad in Third Year should follow a study programme broadly equivalent to **30** credits of the BSc Public Health Sciences. The detailed programme of study shall be proposed by the student in consultation with the approved host institution and the Director of the BSc Public Health Sciences Programme, and shall require the approval of the Dean of the School of Public Health.

The student shall be examined by the approved host institution. Honours will not be awarded at the Third Public Health Sciences Examination Boards to those students who study abroad for one Semester. Instead, academic transcripts and/or other certified documentation from the approved host institution will be appended to the academic transcript issued by UCC.

Students studying in UCC for the duration of Semester One will take modules to the value of 30 credits as follows: 25 credits of core modules (excluding EH3000 Epidemiology III) and 5 credits of elective modules.

Students studying in UCC for the duration of Semester Two will take modules to the value of 30 credits as follows: 20 credits of core modules (excluding EH3000 Epidemiology III) and 10 credits of elective modules.

Note:

1. Students studying abroad for one semester may not take EH3000 Epidemiology III.
2. Students studying abroad in Semester Two will not be required to complete the work placement module (EH3004 Work Placement) to graduate.

Students Spending Third Year Abroad

Students studying abroad for Third Year should follow a study programme broadly equivalent to **60** credits of the BSc Public Health Sciences. Where a language other than English is the language of instruction at the approved institution, up to **10** credits in one Semester of the programme may be dedicated to formal study of the language of instruction. The detailed programme of study shall be proposed by the student in consultation with the approved host institution and the Director of the BSc Public Health Sciences Programme, and shall require the approval of the Dean of the School of Public Health.

The student shall be examined by the approved host institution. Marks shall be submitted to the Autumn Examination Board UCC. Honours will not be awarded at the Third Public Health Sciences Examination Boards to those students who take their year abroad. Instead, academic transcripts and/or other certified documentation from the approved host institution will be appended to the academic transcript issued by UCC. Students studying abroad for the whole of Third Year will not be required to complete the Work Placement module (EH3004 Work Placement) to graduate.

Note: A student who takes but fails the Third University Examination in Public Health Sciences abroad will be eligible to repeat the Third Year of the programme at University College Cork, which will include the Work Placement Module (EH3004 Work Placement). There is no option to repeat the Third Year abroad.

Fourth Year - Public Health Sciences

Students may not register for the Fourth Year programme of study until the Third University Examination has been passed and the Work Placement module (EH3004 Work Placement) has been undertaken. No student may graduate until the Work Placement module has been passed.

Students who undertake the Study Abroad option in Third Year, must pass the Third University Examination in the approved host institution to register for the Fourth Year programme. In the case of a student failing the Third University Examination in the host institution the Third Year is repeated in University College Cork and the student may not register for the Fourth Year programme of study until the Third University Examination has been passed and the Work Placement module (EH3004 Work Placement) has been undertaken.

To be admitted to the Fourth Year BSc (Hons) Public Health Sciences Degree Examination, a student must have satisfactorily attended modules to the value of **60** credits.

Programme Requirements

For information about modules, module choice, options and credit weightings, please go to Programme Requirements (p.).