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Fields marked with \* are required Phone Number: 505 272-1917 Name of Initiator: Pamela Sedillo Email: psedill1@unm.edu Date: 10-05-2015 Initiator's Title Program Manager: Public Health Program Associated Forms exist? Yes Faculty Contact Kristine Tollestrup Administrative Contact Pamela Sedillo Department Family and Community Medicine Admin Email psedill1@salud.unm.edu Branch Admin Phone 271917 Proposed effective term Year 2016 Semester Fall **Course Information** Select Appropriate Program | Graduate Degree Program Name of New or Existing Program MPH Public Health- Concentration Epidemiology Select Category Degree Type M.P.H. Concentration Select Action Revision Exact Title and Requirements as they should appear in the catalog. If there is a change, upload current and proposed requirements. See current catalog for format within the respective college (upload a doc/pdf file) Form C Epidemiology Concentration.docx Does this change affect other departmental program/branch campuses? If yes, indicate below. Reason(s) for Request (enter text below or upload a doc/pdf file) Adding PH529 developmental Epidemiology to the elective course selection for the EPI concentration. Upload a document that inleudes justification for the program, impact on long-range planning, detailed budget analysis and faculty workload implications.(upload a doc/pdf file) EPI impact.docx Are you proposing a new undergraduate degree or new undergraduate certificate? If yes, upload the

Upload a two-page Executive Summary authorized by Associate Provost. (upload a doc/pdf file)

following documents.

Upload memo from Associate Provost authorizing go-ahead to full proposal. (upload a doc/pdf file)

### **Current Requirements:**

# **Epidemiology**

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	Required Core Courses	
PH 501	Principles of Public Health	3
PH 502	Epidemiologic Methods I	3
PH 506	Environmental-Occupational Health	3
PH 508	Theory and Practice	2
	(Mandatory in second semester)	
PH 511	Writing for Public Health Professionals (CR/NC)	1
PH 513	Public Health Seminar (CR/NC)	1
PH 538	Public Health Biostatistical Methods I	3
PH 552	Public Health Program Planning	3
	Subtotal	19
	Required Practicum Experience	
PH 598	Public Health Practicum (CR/NC)	2
	Subtotal	2
	Required Culminating Experience chosen from the following options:	
PH 595	Introduction to Public Health Integrative Experience	1
-and-		
PH 597	Public Health Integrative Experience	2
-or-		
PH 596	Professional Paper	3
-or-		
PH 599	Master's Thesis	6

	Subtotal	3-6
	<b>Required Concentration Courses</b>	
PH 507	Health Care Systems	3
-or-		
PH 510	Public Health and Health Care Management	3
PH 520	Epidemiologic Methods II	3
PH 534	Epidemiology Data Analysis	3
PH 539	Public Health Biostatistical Methods II	3
	Subtotal	12
	Electives	
	Two of the following EPI Concentration electives:	
PH 524	Social Epidemiology	2
PH 528	Infectious Disease Epidemiology	2
PH 531	Perinatal Epidemiology	2
PH 532	Cancer Epidemiology	2
PH 533	Public Health Research Methods	2-3
STAT 574	Biostatistical Methods: Survival Analysis and Logistic	3
	Regression	
	Subtotal	6
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	and other NM colleges and departments with	
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	Subtotal	3-6
	Required Concentration Courses	
PH 510	Public Health and Health Care Management	3
PH 555	Public Health Evaluation Methods	3
	Subtotal	6
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PH 529	Developmental Epi	2
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#### Epidemiology (EPI) Concentration in Public Health

#### **Impact**

The proposed change is to add courses currently not offered for catalog year 2016-2017, tailoring the EPI Concentration. The additional options provide some additional flexibility for the students to select elective courses.

The changes would not require any additional resources from the UNM Libraries or IT since students completing the concentration are already enrolled in our graduate program.

There will be no changes in faculty workload since the MPH faculty are currently teaching the courses.