



Southwestern Michigan College

2025/26

Western Michigan University Public Health Curriculum Guide

Western Essential Studies (WES) requirements:

- Students must fulfill the **Western Essential Studies (WES)** requirements for graduation from WMU. Please see the [WES transfer guide](#). Your community college advisor should be able to help you with this information.
- Please note, in the list below, that some of the required support courses, signified by * (required cognates for all students in the public health program) and those signified by # (can count toward WMU required 18-hour public health emphasis area) will also satisfy some of the WES requirements.
- SOCI 202 meets WMU WES Diversity & Inclusion requirement.
- ENST 112 is a recommended public health emphasis area course as it also meets WMU WES Planetary and Sustainability requirement.

Required support courses: MTA and program approved courses

I. SMC COURSES FOR GENERAL EDUCATION, which follow the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) (30 credits minimum).

SMC Course	WMU WES Equivalent
English Composition/Communication: 2 courses	Varies
Humanities: 2 courses	Varies
Mathematics: MAT 150 (recommended)	STAT 1600
Science: BIOL 110* & ENST 112# (recommended)	BIOS CR & BIOS 1050/1100
Social Sciences: PYSC 101* & SOCI 201*	PSY 1000 & SOC 2000

II. SMC PUBLIC HEALTH ADDITIONAL COURSES (17-21 credits)

SMC Course	WMU Equivalent
WMU Public Health required courses	
SOCI 202** or PSYC 180 (Use to satisfy SOC 3200)	SOC 2100 or SOC 3200

Choose at least 18 hours (or 14 hours if ENST 112 was applied to MTA) to meet WMU Public Health emphasis area.

ENST 112 [#]	BIOS 1050/1100
BIOL 214	BIOS 2110
HEED 137	PH CR
HEED 163	FCS CR
PSYC 205	PSY 1600
SOCI 202* or PSYC 180 (Use to satisfy SOC 3200)	SOC 2100 or SOC 3200
SOCI 240	SOC CR
PHED 103	HPHE 1110

III. SMC ADDITIONAL ELECTIVES

SMC open electives to reach 60 credits

HEED 101	H&HS CR
Additional courses from above list or other courses	Varies

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