

Department of Epidemiology
University of Washington
Ph.D. Degree Checklist

(Important: Read footnotes side 2)

Student Name: _____ Date: _____

90 Total Credits (minimum)^{1,2}: _____; Including 18 Graded Course Credits (500-level): _____

All core courses (indicated by *) must be taken for a numerical grade.

Course Number	Course Name	Suggested Quarter	Credits	Done
EPI 512*	Epid Methods I	1 st Autumn	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 513*	Epid Methods II	1 st Winter	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 514* EPI 510 (inWin), substantial SAS or STATA programming is a prerequisite	Application of Epidemiologic Methods	1 st Spring	4	_____
BIOST 517*³	Applied Biostatistics I	1 st Autumn	4	_____
BIOST 518*³	Applied Biostatistics II	1 st Winter	4	_____
PRELIM EXAM		End 1 st Spr	Non-Cr	<input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 536*	Categorical Data Analysis in Epidemiology	2 nd Autumn	4	_____
EPI 537*	Survival Data Analysis in Epidemiology	2 nd Winter	4	_____
EPI 584	Dissertation Research Seminar (3 quarters/1 cr each)	2 nd year Au/Wi/Sp	3 cr	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
One EPI Infectious Disease Course^{4,5}	520, 526, 529, 532, 568, 590-Vaccines	2 nd Au/Wi/Sp	_____cr	_____
Two EPI Non-infectious Disease or Methods Courses⁴	516, 517, 519, 521, 522, 524, 528, 531, 533, 538, 539, 542, 544, 546, 548, 570, 571, 573, 585	2 nd Year	_____cr _____cr	_____ _____
Three SPHCM Electives Courses⁶	May include EPI and other courses related to factors that affect health	2 nd Year	_____cr _____cr _____cr	_____ _____ _____
Select Chair, Committee	Notify Epi Program Office	2 nd Year	Non-Cr	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other Courses Required by Committee⁷			_____cr	_____
Short Proposal	Reviewed By EPI Faculty	2 nd Year	Non-CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
Human Subjects Approval⁸	Must be submitted and approved before research	2 nd Year	Non-CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dissertation (NIH-type) Proposal	Presented to Supervisory Committee before General	2 nd Year	Non-CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
GENERAL EXAM⁹	Written and Oral	3 rd Year	Non-CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 800 (Dissertation)¹⁰		Year 2-3-4	27 cr min	_____
Select Reading Committee	Schedule review by Grad School and Reading Committee before Final		Non-Cr	<input type="checkbox"/>
FINAL EXAM⁹		4 th Year	Non-CR	<input type="checkbox"/>

- In order to waive a course, students must complete the PhD Waiver Form (<http://depts.washington.edu/epidem/waiveformMSPhD.htm>) with all the required signatures. EPI 512 and 513 cannot be waived.
- In order to stay current in the field, and to maintain relationships with their peers, doctoral students usually register for EPI 591 (Journal Club) after their first year.

¹ PRIOR MASTERS, NON-MATRICULATED CREDITS. All credits taken for an MPH or MS in Epidemiology at UW count toward the PhD. A completed, health-related masters degree from another department or university may count for 30 of the 90 required credits, but not for the 18 graded graduate credits or 27 dissertation credits. In order for courses from a masters degree from another department at UW to count toward the remaining 60 credits, a student must petition the Epidemiology Department and the Dean of the Graduate School. Only credits beyond the required credits for the prior masters degree will be considered. Courses such as EPI 511, that cover the same material as the core courses, courses unrelated to health, and below the 400 level do not count. Up to 12 applicable UW Graduate Non-Matriculated (GNM) credits with at least a 3.0 in each course may count toward the PhD. No Non-Matriculated (NMATR) courses may count toward the degree, although students will not have to retake such courses if they earned a 3.0 or higher.

² EXCEPTIONS. EPI 405, 420, 511, BIOST 502, 503 or 511-513 in addition to BIOST 517-518, and any undergraduate research do not count toward the total credits.

³BIOST 511-513 may be substituted for BIOST 517-518 for those with minimal statistical background or who completed the series prior to entering the PhD program. BIOST 514-515 may be substituted for BIOST 517-518 for those with a strong mathematical background including calculus and linear algebra.

⁴If possible, students should select the EPI version of joint-listed courses.

⁵Students who took EPI 530 before Summer 2004, may use it to satisfy the infectious disease requirement.

⁶From the School of Public Health (including Epidemiology) or other University courses related to factors that affect health. This requirement may be met by courses taken as part of a completed health-related prior master's or doctorate. EPI 510, 593, 595 and research credits may not count in this category. EPI 503, 507, 530, 534, 540, 549, 588, and 590—Intro to Lab Methods will count toward SPHCM electives and unspecified credits, but not toward the infectious or non-infectious disease/methods requirements.

⁷The Supervisory Committee may require additional or repeat courses to ensure adequate training.

⁸All dissertations must receive human subjects approval before research may begin. Approval often takes several months. The form is at www.washington.edu/research/hsd/forms_paper.php.

⁹Students must be registered the quarter they take the Oral General and Final Examinations.

¹⁰Students must have selected a dissertation chair prior to registering for EPI 800 credits.