

Department of Epidemiology
University of Washington
Doctor of Philosophy (Epidemiology)

Student Name: _____ Date: _____

90 Total Credits (minimum)¹ _____; this must include 18 Graded, UW Graduate Class Credits at the 500-level. _____
Minimum class grades: 2.7; minimum required overall GPA 3.0.

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

Course Requirements

EPI 512*	Epid Methods I	1 st Autumn	4 credits	<input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 513*	Epid Methods II	1 st Winter	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 510 <i>Prerequisite for EPI 514.</i>	Epid Data Analysis <i>May be waived if substantial SAS & STATA programming.</i>	1 st Winter	3	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
EPI 514*	Applic of Epid Methods	1 st Spring	5	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
BIOST 517*²	Applied Biostatistics I	1 st Autumn	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
BIOST 518*²	Applied Biostatistics II	1 st Winter	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 515*(EPI 528* in Fall 2016)	Advanced Epi Methods I	2 nd Autumn	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 584	Dissertation Research Seminar	2 nd Aut & Win	2, 1 cr/qtr	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 536*³	Categorical Data Analysis in Epid	2 nd Autumn	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 537*³	Survival Data Analysis in Epid	2 nd Winter	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 516*	Advanced Epi Methods II	2 nd Spring	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 588	Prep & Writing Research Proposals	2 nd Spring	3	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
One EPI Infectious Disease (I) Course⁴	Link to course listing below	2 nd Au/Wi/Sp	___cr	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
One EPI Non-Infectious Disease (NI) Course⁴	Link to course listing below	2 nd Au/Wi/Sp	___cr	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
One additional EPI Elective Course⁴	May be from any elective category	2 nd Year	___cr	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Three SPH Electives Courses⁵	May be SPH or EPI courses, or other UW courses with significant PH content; Minimum of 2 cr each.	2 nd Year	___cr ___cr ___cr	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
EPI 800	Dissertation	Year 2-3-4	Min 27 cr	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

Non-Course Requirements

Timeline may vary from student to student

PhD Preliminary Exam	Take after EPI 512-513	1 st June	Non-Credit	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Submit Human Subjects Form</u>	Soon after identifying dissertation committee Chair	2 nd /3 rd Year	Non-Credit	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Submit Short Proposal</u>		3 rd Year	Non-Credit	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Human Subjects Approval (IRB)</u>	Required before research begins.	3 rd Year	Non-Credit	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Long Proposal (NIH-style)</u>	Before General Exam	3 rd Year	Non-Credit	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>General Exam</u>		3 rd Year	Non-Credit	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Final Exam</u>	Final Quarter	4 th /5 th Year	Non-Credit	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Submit Dissertation</u>	Final Quarter		Non-Credit	<input type="checkbox"/>

General Information

- Plan ahead to ensure that required courses, usually offered once a year, will be completed on time to graduate. Elective scheduling may change from year to year. *Some elective courses are offered every other year.*
- See Time Schedule at <http://www.washington.edu/students/timeschd/> for days/times of classes, whether an add code is required, and the add code contact. Courses with “>” before the 5 digit SLN number require an add code.
- Students are urged to register for and/or attend EPI 583, Epi Seminar, especially during the 1st year and later depending on interest in the lecture topics.
- To stay current in the field, it is strongly recommended that students register for EPI 591 (Journal Club) after their first year.

¹Prior Degrees and Prior Credits.

- To waive a specific course, students must complete the appropriate waiver form on the [Epi Students](#) Canvas site. EPI 512-3, EPI 584 and EPI 800 may not be waived.
- For a completed, health-related master’s degree from another UW department or another university, up to 30 unspecified credits may be waived from the 90 required credits, reducing the minimum credits required to 60. To waive a required course, a completed waiver form is necessary. Only UW credits may count toward the required 18 graded, graduate credits and the required 60 credits.
- For an MPH/MS in Epidemiology completed at the UW, all credits count toward the Epi PhD. These credits may count toward the required 18 graded, graduate credits.
- For additional courses from a non-Epidemiology, UW public-health-related master’s degree to count toward the 60 minimum credits, students must petition the Epi Graduate Program Director, and the Dean of the Graduate School. Approval is not always granted.
- Up to 12 applicable, UW Graduate Non-Matriculated (GNM) course credits graded 3.0 or above may count toward the PhD. No courses completed as a regular (non-GNM) Non-Matriculated student may count toward the degree, although students will not have to retake such courses if they earned a 3.0 grade or higher.
- **These courses do not count toward a degree in Epidemiology:** Any courses below the 500 level; EPI 500, EPI 511; HUBIO 530; BIOST 502-503, BIOST 508, BIOST 511-13 *when taken in addition to* BIOST 517-18; undergraduate research or internship; courses taken to complete a degree program at another department/university; courses for which waivers were granted; and courses unrelated to health.

²**BIOST 511-513** may be substituted for BOST 517-518 for those with minimal statistical background, or for those who completed this series prior to entering the Epi PhD program.

³**BIOST 536-7** must be taken in residence. The online version is not accepted for the PhD.

⁴Approved EPI Electives can be found in the Epi Course Planning Sheet on the [Epi Courses](#) webpage.

⁵**School of Public Health (SPH) Electives** may include Epidemiology courses, courses from other departments at SPH, or other UW courses with substantial public health content. EPI 505 and 547 may count as SPH electives but not EPI electives. EPI 583, 591, 593, 595, 600, 700, 800, and one-credit courses cannot be counted toward Epi or SPH electives, only toward total degree credits.