

## Request for Graduate Addition, Deletion, or Change of a Minor

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College: COHP

Dept/Division: Public Health (MPH program)

Contact Person: Paul Kadetz

Phone: 304-696-5772

Title of Minor: Rural Health

Check action requested:  Addition  Deletion  Change

Effective Term/Year

Fall 20

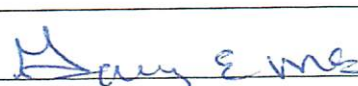



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Dept. Chair/Division Head <u></u>	Date <u>3/10/17</u>
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College Dean <u></u>	Date <u>3/10/17</u>
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**1. Curriculum:** (Course numbers, titles and credit hours. Indicate if each course is required or optional.  
(May attach separate page if needed)

Please note this minor is being proposed as an Elective Minor

PH 603 Introduction to Rural Health 3 credit hours (required for minor)  
PH 653 Rural Health in Appalachia I: Intervening with Addiction 2 credit hours (required for minor)  
PH 685 Rural Health in Appalachia II: Malnutrition and Obesity 2 credit hours (required for minor)  
PH 689 Community Outreach in Rural Health 3 Credit hours (optional and can be replaced by non-minor MPH electives)  
PH 688 Political Ecology, Sustainable Development & Human Health 2 credit hours (required for minor)

Please describe any changes in curriculum:

List course number, title, credit hours. Note whether each course is required or optional. Enter NONE if no change.

The following are currently listed as Required courses in the MPH program and catalog that we are seeking to change to Electives in the MPH. However, these electives can only be replaced with the electives in the One Health minor or the Rural Health minor.

PH 602 Public Health Biology (2 credit hours)  
PH 693 Public Health Law and Ethics (3 credit hours)  
PH 686 Health Informatics and Technology (3 credit hours)  
PH 655 Introduction to Health Policy (3 credit hours)  
PH 692 Seminar (1 credit hour)

**2. ADDITIONAL RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS:** If your program requires additional faculty, equipment or specialized materials to ADD or CHANGE this minor, attach an estimate of the time and money required to secure these items.

NOTE: Approval of this form does not imply approval for additional resources. Enter NONE if not applicable.

NONE

**3. NON-DUPLICATION:** If a question of possible duplication occurs, attach a copy of the correspondence sent to the appropriate department(s) describing the request and any response received from them. Enter NONE if not applicable.

Not Applicable

*For catalog changes as a result of the above actions, please fill in the following pages.*

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### 3. Current Catalog Description

Insert the *Current* Catalog Description and page number from the latest catalog for entries you would like to change.  
(May attach separate page if needed)

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### 4. Edits to the Current Description

Attach a PDF copy of the current catalog description prepared in MS WORD with strikethroughs to mark proposed deletions and use the highlight function to indicate proposed new text.

### 5. New Catalog Description

Insert a 'clean' copy of your proposed description, i.e., no strikethroughs or highlighting included. This should be what you are proposing for the new description. (May attach separate page if needed)

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This course will examine the complex relationships and impacts between the social, natural and built environments and public health.

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Please insert in the text box below your summary information for the Graduate Council agenda. Please enter the information exactly in this way (including headings):

Department:

Minor:

Credit Hours:

Type of Change: *(addition, deletion, change)*

Rationale:

Department: Public Health

Minor: Rural Health

Credit Hours: 9-12

Type of Change: Addition (of a new Minor with new courses) and a Change (from what were required courses to Electives)

Rationale: There is, to my knowledge, only one other program in the United States with a concentration in rural health. A minor in rural health would not only be significant and advantageous for preparing public health students to work locally in the region and in other rural areas, but is also of potential benefit to local rural communities. Additionally, an elective minor in rural health could prove to be an offering that will be effective in attracting and recruiting students to the MPH program.



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