This program leads to a profession which requires an occupational license as defined under Texas Occupations Code 58.001. This requires that all applicants seeking to become licensed must undergo a criminal background check prior to licensure.

The Department of Health and Human Performance has a focus on preparing Health majors to function professionally in a changing and diverse society, and to improve the quality of life through the understanding, delivering and promotion of health, physical activity, and wellness.

A - GENERAL EDUCATION CORE – 42 HOURS

Students must fulfill the General Education Core requirements. The courses listed below satisfy both degree requirements and General Education core requirements.

Required

020 - Mathematics – 3 hours
MATH 1342 Elementary Statistical Methods (or MATH 1387 Honors)

030 - Life and Physical Sciences – 6 hours
BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I three-hour lecture
BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II three-hour lecture

090 - Integrative and Experiential Learning – 2 hours
BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I one-hour lab
BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II one-hour lab

B - MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – 60 HOURS (48 advanced minimum)

1 - Health Core – 33 hours (24 advanced)
KINE 1301 Wellness
KINE 1306 First Aid and First Responder
HLTH 2352 Personal Health
HLTH 3305 Selected Topics in Health Education
HLTH 3325 Latino Health
HLTH 3350 Organization of the Health Program
HLTH 3372 Nutrition and Health
HLTH 3374 Human Disease
HLTH 4305 Community Health Methods
HLTH 4315 Health Program Planning and Evaluation
HLTH 4380 Principles of Public Health (Capstone)

2 - Health Electives – 27 hours (24 advanced)
Choose from:
CRIJ 1301 Introduction to the Criminal Justice System
CRJ 3303 Criminology
HLTH 1352 Community and Environmental Health
HLTH 3370 Concepts for Healthy Lifestyle Promotion
HLTH 3371 Health Problems in Alcohol, Tobacco, and Narcotics
HLTH 3373 Human Sexuality
HLTH 3375 Consumer Health
HLTH 4357 Health Seminar
HLTH 4358 Current Health Readings and Reported Research
KINE 4370 Management in Exercise and Health Promotion
MARK 3300 Principles of Marketing
REHS 2301 Introduction to Rehabilitation
SOCI 1323 Social Problems
SOCI 3324 Sociology of Health
SOCW 2362 The Social Welfare Institution
SOCW 3351 School Social Work
SOCW 4320 Social Work in Health Care
PSYC 2301 General Psychology
PSYC 3324 Social Psychology
C – MINOR – 18 HOURS (6 advanced)

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS FOR GRADUATION – 120 HOURS
TOTAL ADVANCED HOURS – 54 HOURS

ADMISSION, PROGRESSION, AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, if applicable:

Admission requirements
For admission, students must complete of 60 hours of course work and have junior standing.

Progression requirements
A grade of ‘C’ or better must be maintained in all advanced coursework.

Graduation requirements
In addition to the graduation requirements listed in the UTRGV 2017-2018 Undergraduate Catalog, demonstration of proficiency in a language other than English is required at the undergraduate level equivalent to a minimum of six credit hours. Proficiency can be demonstrated by a college credit exam, a placement test approved through the UTRGV Department of Writing and Language Studies, and/or up to six credit hours of college-level language coursework.