

Course Title:	Principles of Public Health
Course Code:	PUBH801
Descriptor Start Date:	01/01/2025
POINTS:	15.00
LEVEL:	8
PREREQUISITE/S:	
COREQUISITE/S:	
RESTRICTION/S:	

LEARNING HOURS

Hours may include lectures, tutorials, online forums, laboratories. Refer to your timetable and course information in Canvas for detailed information.

Total learning hours: 150

PRESCRIPTOR

Critically examines key public health concepts and practices. Explores the wider determinants of health in Aotearoa New Zealand and globally.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Critically evaluate public health issues in New Zealand and international contexts.
2. Critically analyse the influence of health determinants in public health.
3. Critically apply the principles of public health.
4. Present work at the appropriate academic standard.

CONTENT

Public health definitions, concepts and history.
Contemporary issues in public health including health effects of climate change, chronic non-infectious diseases, the obesity epidemic and the health impacts of globalisation.
Principles of public health, and their influence, such as equity and social justice.
Wider determinants of health including social, and environmental factors.
Importance of communities in public health.
Te Tiriti o Waitangi and Whanau Ora in public health contexts.
Public health based research.
Critical inquiry and scholarly communication for public health practice.

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LEARNING & TEACHING STRATEGIES

The teaching will include a mix of lectures and student led discussions and presentations. Students will be expected to locate and read relevant literature prior to classes to enable effective class contributions and to undertake required learning activities.

ASSESSMENT PLAN

Assessment Event	Learning Outcomes
Presentation	LO1, LO2, LO3, LO4
Written Assessment (2500 words)	LO1, LO2, LO3, LO4

Grade Map	MAP1A A+ A A- Pass with Distinction B+ B B- Pass with Merit C+ C C- Pass D Fail
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Overall requirement/s to pass the course:

Students must attempt all assessments in order to be eligible to achieve a passing grade.
Students must pass all learning outcomes at least once in order to pass this course.

LEARNING RESOURCES

Please refer to additional information on Canvas for a list of recommended readings or resources.

For further information, contact: Te Ara Hauora A Putaiao - Faculty of Health & Environmental Science

Principal Programme:	AK3805, Master of Public Health
Related Programme/s:	AK3805 Master of Public Health AK3806 Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health AK3807 Postgraduate Certificate in Public Health AK3930 Master of Disaster Risk Management and Development AK3485 Master of Health Science AK3487 Postgraduate Diploma in Health Science AK3662 Bachelor of Health Science (Honours) AK3733 Master of Health Practice

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