COMMUNITY HEALTH AREA OF
CONCENTRATION, ARTS AND SCIENCES AA: 186A
Total Credits: 60
Catalog Edition: 2020-2021

Program Description
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This AA area of concentration prepares students to enter a
diverse, people-oriented field in which professionals work to
promote lifestyle wellness and improve the health status of
society. Health educators assist people in making responsible
decisions and changing behaviors to achieve a healthier lifestyle.

Professionals in this fast-growing field are employed by
public and private health care organizations, government
agencies, hospital wellness centers, corporate-based worksite
health programs, college and university health service centers,
insurance companies, private health promotion corporations,
drug and alcohol rehabilitation programs, family planning
agencies, and health clinics, and as education representatives
for textbook publishers and pharmaceutical companies.
Graduates with school health degrees teach on the elementary,
secondary, and college levels, in both private and public school
settings. School health educators also qualify to work in many
community and governmental agencies. Job titles include patient
educators, health program managers, health education teachers,
community health organizers, health promotion directors, and
wellness coordinators.

Program Outcomes
Upon completion of this program a student will be able to:

• Describe biological, psychological, environmental, and social
  factors that influence health.
• Explain the impact of individual behavior on health status.
• Define health education and list the skills/competencies of
  the entry level health educator.
• Develop a health education intervention based on the
  assessment of controllable and noncontrollable risk factors
  that impact health.

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To view the Advising Worksheet, please visit https://
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advising/advising-worksheets/current-catalog/186a.pdf

Program Advising Guide
An Academic Reference Tool for Students

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Suggested Course Sequence
A suggested course sequence for full-time students follows. All students should review this advising guide and consult an advisor.

First Semester
- BIOL 150 - Principles of Biology I 4 semester hours (NSLD)
- ENGL 101 - Introduction to College Writing 3 semester hours *
- HLTH 105 - Personal and Community Health 3 semester hours (GEIR)
- SOCY 100 - Introduction to Sociology 3 semester hours (BSSD)
- Mathematics foundation 3 semester hours (MATF) †

Second Semester
- COMM 108 - Foundations of Human Communication 3 semester hours (GEIR)
- OR
- COMM 112 - Business and Professional Speech Communication 3 semester hours (GEIR)
- HLTH 160 - The Science and Theory of Health 3 semester hours
- PSYC 102 - General Psychology 3 semester hours (BSSD)
- English foundation 3 semester hours (ENGF)
- Program elective 3 semester hours ‡

Third Semester
- BIOL 212 - Human Anatomy and Physiology I 4 semester hours (NSLD)
- HLTH 225 - Introduction to Health Behaviors 3 semester hours
- Arts distribution 3 semester hours (ARTD)
- Program electives 200 level 6 semester hours ‡

Fourth Semester
- BIOL 213 - Human Anatomy and Physiology II 4 semester hours
- Humanities distribution 3 semester hours (HUMD)
- Program elective 3 semester hours ‡
- HLTH 298 - Global Health Capstone 3 semester hours

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* ENGL 101/ENGL 101A, if needed for ENGL 102/ENGL 103, or elective.
† Choose math according to transfer school.
‡ Consult with departmental advisor before selecting program electives. Select from the following program electives: HLTH 121, HLTH 125, HLTH 131, HLTH 150, HLTH 170, HLTH 200, HLTH 212, HLTH 215, HLTH 220 and HLTH 230. At least six program elective credits must be at the 200-level.
Transfer Opportunities
Montgomery College has partnerships with multiple four-year institutions and the tools to help you transfer. To learn more, please visit https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/transfer or http://artsys.usmd.edu.

Get Involved at MC!
Employers and Transfer Institutions are looking for experience outside the classroom.

MC Student Clubs and Organizations: https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/life-at-mc/student-life/

Related Careers
Some require a Bachelor’s degree. Health Educator, Healthcare Analyst, Community Health Worker.

Career Services
Montgomery College offers a range of services to students and alumni to support the career planning process. To learn more, please visit https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/career

Career Coach
A valuable online search tool that will give you the opportunity to explore hundreds of potential careers or job possibilities in Maryland and the Washington D.C. metropolitan area. Get started today on your road to a new future and give it a try. For more information, please visit https://montgomerycollege.emsicareercoach.com

Notes:
For more information, please visit https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/academics/programs/health-enhancement-exercise-science-and-physical-education/community-health-aa-degree.html