



Master of Education with Specialization in

# Health (Puerto Rico)

• CIP code 131307 • 30 credits, 4 terms full-time

• **Program approved** by the Puerto Rico Board of Postsecondary Institutions and offered in compliance with the recertification regulations of the Puerto Rico Department of Education (DEPR).

## Program Description

The program prepares health educators to be proficient in the Puerto Rico Professional Standards for Teachers and other educators. Graduates are career-ready, technologically savvy, and culturally competent to advance social justice causes.

## Learning Outcomes

Our graduates are experts in health education content, capable of performing needs assessments, planning and executing study plans, assessing student learning, coordinating health, advocating for health education, and serving as a resource for schools, students and their families, and communities.

Our students graduate with confidence in their ability to teach comprehensive skills-based health education as a component of coordinated school health. They know how to identify student risk factors and help young people to reduce risky behavior and improve their personal health and academic performance. Learning is personalized through independent projects that help to prepare the educator for the profession.

## Careers

Graduates can teach in grades preK-12, undergraduate level in Puerto Rico, and as health educators in many settings: local health departments, hospitals and clinics, businesses and industry. In Puerto Rico one must be certified by the Puerto Rico Health Department to work as a health educator, but the coursework prepares the student for the state exam. Graduates can also teach courses and conduct research at universities.

## Action Research.....7 credits

- EHE 695 Action Research I (first term @ 2 credits) *(required first course)* . . . . . All terms
- MMG 525 Statistical Decision Techniques for Managers (second term) . . . . . All terms
- EHE 697 Action Research III (third or fourth term @ 2 credits) . . . . . Fall or Spring

## Courses ..... 23 credits

*All courses are offered in Spanish*

- EHE 613 Principles of Health/Social Emotional Promotion & Public Health Issues . . . . . Fall
- EHE 622R Planning, Implementing, and Administering Curriculum in Health/SEL Programs . . . . . Fall
- EHE 632 Teaching About Human Sexuality . . . . . Spring
- EHE 642 Promoting Wellness: Building Positive Health/Social Emotional Behavior . . . . . Spring
- EHE 652 Preventing Unintentional Injury & Violence . . . . . Summer
- EHE 682 Health-SEL Skills for Risk Reduction & Positive Behavior Change . . . . . Summer
- EHE 711 Evaluation of School Health/Social Emotional Programs . . . . . Fall or Spring
- HEA 794\* Practicum: HFCS (300 hours - must be taken last) - 2 credits . . . . . All terms

\*Those not pursuing certification must substitute the following course for HEA 794:

- EHE 672 Improving School Health/SEL Through Coordination

*EIT 712 and ELE 630R are additional requirements for teacher certification under the Puerto Rico Department of Education Teacher Certification Regulation 9375 of 2022.*

**Program for recertification** by the Puerto Rico Department of Education as a health educator.  
**Program and courses subject to change.**

This is a **hybrid** delivered program, with 60% of classes delivered synchronously and 40% delivered asynchronously through Canvas Learning Management System.

All courses 3 credits except as noted.