

DrPH HPAL Integrative Learning Experience (Dissertation) Approval Form

DrPH students fulfill the Integrative Learning Experience through the completion of a dissertation. DrPH dissertations must meet the following criteria:

- Students must generate field-based products consistent with advanced practice that are designed to influence programs, policies or systems addressing public health.
- Students must demonstrate synthesis of a minimum of two (4) DrPH Foundational Competencies and two (2) concentration competencies through the dissertation work and final products.

The rubric included in this form does not need to be completed until the final dissertation submission and defense. The criteria provided in the rubric below are not the only criteria by which students are assessed. The committee is encouraged to provide a comprehensive assessment of the student's dissertation proposal and final dissertation. Students should familiarize themselves with the criteria to ensure successful completion of the DrPH dissertation requirement.

Students are required to submit a copy of this form upon submission of the dissertation proposal to the Office of Student Records along with other required documentation per the submission guidelines. Completion of this form is required for accreditation purposes.

To be completed by the student:

Name: _____ Student ID: _____ Major: _____

Course of Enrollment: PUBH 9000 - Dissertation Research Completed Final Product: Dissertation

To be completed by DrPH students only:

The DrPH dissertation (Integrative Learning experience) must demonstrate synthesis of foundational and major competencies where the student produces a high-quality written professional product(s) that is appropriate for their educational and professional goals.

Final DrPH Foundational Competencies (i.e. 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____
DrPH 1; DrPH 2)

Final Concentration Competencies (i.e. 1. _____ 2. _____
DrPH-H1; DrPH-H3)

Briefly describe how the proposed dissertation will synthesize the selected competencies above:

To be completed by the Dissertation Advisor (in consultation with all committee members) Submit documents to program director

Successful completion of the final dissertation and defense requires that students score a minimum of “Sufficient (1)” on each criterion.

Evaluation of the Doctoral Dissertation and Defense				
	Not Sufficient (0)	Sufficient (1)	Outstanding (2)	Score
Knowledge	Student did not sufficiently demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the area of study.	Student demonstrated sufficient knowledge and understanding of the area of study.	Student demonstrated outstanding knowledge and understanding of the area of study.	
Design	Student did not sufficiently describe the design and methods for their research-based study.	Student sufficiently described the design and methods for their research-based study.	Student clearly and comprehensively described the design and methods for their research-based study.	
Interpretation of Results	Student did not sufficiently interpret research findings and limits of the study.	Student sufficiently interpreted research findings and addresses limits of the study.	Student clearly and concisely interpreted research findings and addresses limits of the study.	
Implications of Findings	Student did not sufficiently articulate original ideas about the usefulness of the study’s findings to public health.	Student sufficiently articulated original ideas about the usefulness of the study’s findings to public health.	Student clearly articulated original and innovative ideas about the usefulness of the study’s findings to public health.	
Communication	Written and oral presentation does not meet formatting, grammatical and clarity expectations.	Written and oral presentation is sufficient. Student wrote with clarity and concision. Student did a good job delivering the oral presentation.	Dissertation was very well written and in the appropriate format. Student did an outstanding job delivering and defending during the oral presentation.	
To be completed for DrPH students only:				
	Not Sufficient (0)	Sufficient (1)	Outstanding (2)	Score
CEPH Expectation for DrPH ILE Final Products	Student did not produce field-based products consistent with advanced practice designed to influence programs, policies or systems addressing public health.	Student produced quality field-based products that are consistent with advanced practice designed to influence programs, policies or systems addressing public health.	Student produced outstanding field-based products consistent with advanced practice designed to influence programs, policies or systems addressing public health.	

Synthesis of DrPH Foundational and Concentration-Specific Competencies	Student did not demonstrate synthesis of the selected <i>DrPH Foundational and Concentration Competencies</i> .	Student's demonstration of synthesis of the selected <i>DrPH Foundational and Concentration Competencies</i> was sufficient.	Student's demonstration of synthesis of the selected <i>DrPH Foundational and Concentration Competencies</i> was comprehensive.	
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Student, Printed

Student, Signature

Date

Dissertation Advisor, Printed

Dissertation Advisor, Signature

Date

Faculty Advisor (if different than dissertation advisor), Printed

Faculty Advisor (if different than dissertation advisor), Signature

Date

Program Director, Printed

Program Director, Signature

Date