

Proactive Steps

Early Planning Efforts for Community Health Students

Complete Fieldwork COH 91E1

Successfully complete this capstone fieldwork course, which provides supervised applied experience in a community health setting with an approved fieldwork partner organization.

Earn a Health Coach Digital Badge

This badge is only for Coordinated Health Care concentration. Upon successful completion of COH 1600 and HPE 1200, students earn a digital badge from Credly recognizing basic skills in health coaching. Include this badge on resumes, CVs, LinkedIn profiles, and professional/social media pages.

Obtain BLS/First Aid Certifications

This is only for **Coordinated Health Care concentration**. Apply for BLS for Healthcare Provider and Heartsaver First Aid certifications from the American Heart Association upon successful completion of HE 2200.

Prepare for Transfer

Research and apply to baccalaureate programs in public health, community health education, health services administration, or related fields. Primary transfer destinations include NYC College of Technology, Brooklyn College, York College, and the CUNY School of Professional Studies.

Begin CHES Exam Preparation

For students in the **Health Education & Promotion concentration** who plan to transfer to a bachelor's program, begin reviewing the [NCHEC Eight Areas of Responsibility](#) and preparing for the [CHES exam](#). This is eligible upon completion of bachelor's degree. Student membership to the [Society for Public Health](#) provides access to CHES exam preparation.

Build a Professional Network

Attend professional conferences and events, connect with fieldwork supervisors and faculty, and develop a list of professional references for job and transfer applications.

Update Professional Materials

Update resume, cover letter, and LinkedIn profile with certifications, fieldwork experiences, and new skills acquired throughout the program. Utilize Career and Professional Development office resources for interview preparation.