

Proactive Steps

Early Planning Efforts for Health Sciences Students

- ✓ **Earn a Health Coach Digital Badge:** 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:** 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, health sciences, applied health, or related fields. Primary transfer destinations include NYC College of Technology and York College. Students should attend transfer orientation sessions hosted by the program.
- ✓ **Build a Professional Network:** Attend professional conferences and events, connect with faculty and campus contacts, and develop a list of professional references for job and transfer applications.
- ✓ **Update Professional Materials:** Update resume, cover letter, and LinkedIn profile with certifications and new skills acquired throughout the program. Utilize Career and Professional Development office resources for interview preparation.