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CLINICAL SCIENCE COURSES

CLSC 6060  Analysis, Modeling, and Design 3.0 cr.
Dr. E. Dincelli (ersin.dinselli@ucdenver.edu) (Fall)
Collaborative offering with Denver Campus, emphasizing information requirements analysis, logical system specification, detailed system design. Topics include structured system development methodologies, prototyping, file design, systems architecture, systems testing, software design strategies. Students use case tool to develop system specifications.

CLSC 6080  Database Management Systems 3.0 cr.
Z. Walter (zhiping.walter@ucdenver.edu) (Fall)
Offered as a collaborative offering with UCD, this course focuses on the development and management of database systems to support business operations. Important subjects include semantic data modeling, normalization, SQL, fourth generation languages, and client-server database applications.

CLSC 6210  Research Seminars in Clinical Science 1.0 cr
Dr. A. Prochazka (allan.prochazka@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall, Spring)
Course is taken over two semesters (register once)
This course provides an overview of the types of clinical translational studies being conducted by senior CLSC doctoral students. The interactive seminar series structure allows for interdisciplinary scientific dialogue among students at various stages of training, mentors and faculty.

CLSC 6211  Immersion in Community Engagement 3.0 cr.
Dr. L. Cicuttto (lisa.cicutto@cuanschutz.edu) (Summer)
Prereq: Program consent (contact CLSC administrator for consent)
This course focuses on community-based participatory research, community engagement and understanding health disparities through a community immersion experience.

CLSC 6260  Conducting Clinical Trials for Investigators 2.0 cr.
Dr. L. Caplan (liron.caplan@cuanschutz.edu) (Summer)
Prereq: For non-CLSC students, please seek consent of the instructor.
This course is designed for graduate students to master the theoretical and practical aspects of designing and executing a clinical trial. The focus will be on interventional studies and observational studies that require consent by subjects. Students will be introduced to good clinical practices and regulations related to the design and conduct of clinical trials. They will also be introduced to the broad array of research services available locally at UCD-AMC, UC Health, CHCO, and RMR VAMC. Engaging lecturers with expertise in the areas critical to designing and implementing ethical and responsibly conducted human subject research will present across the 7 weeks. Students will set up a mock clinical study (protocol, budget, clinical research team description), write a data and safety monitoring plan, plan recruitment strategies, characterize the informed consent process, and construct a study timeline.

CLSC 6270  Critical Appraisal Seminars in Clinical Science 1.0 cr.
Dr. L. Cicuttto (lisa.cicutto@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall)
This course provides an overview of the approaches for the critically appraising common study designs published in the clinical and translational sciences literature, as well as other sources of information.

CLSC 6300  Scientific Grant Review Process: CCTSI Proposals – Masters 1.0 cr.
Drs. J. Maloney (james.maloney@cuanschutz.edu) and K. Nadeau (kristen.nadeau@cuanschutz.edu) (Spring)
Prereq: Completion of required courses in biostatistics (BIOS 6601 and 6602 or BIOS 6611 and 6612).
Students will understand and participate in the process of scientific review of human subject research protocols submitted to the University of Colorado Denver Clinical Translational Research Centers at University Hospital and The Children's Hospital.

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<td>Designs and Mixed Methods in Implementation Research</td>
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<td>Dr. M. Fort (<a href="mailto:meredith.fort@cuanschutz.edu">meredith.fort@cuanschutz.edu</a>) and Dr. A. Hamilton (<a href="mailto:alison.hamilton@ucdenver.edu">alison.hamilton@ucdenver.edu</a>) (Spring)</td>
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<td>This course represents part two of a two-part interdisciplinary course series focused on service provision, intervention strategies and service provision related to children/youth/young adults with neurodevelopmental and related disabilities and their families to address this population’s special health care needs.</td>
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<td>This interdisciplinary course reviews evidence-based practices in intervention for children with autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders, presented through lectures, critical readings of the literature, case discussions, and case presentations.</td>
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<td>Prereq: Degree in health care profession or related field or consent of instructor and CLSC6664. Leadership Dialogues IV builds upon skills addressed in Leadership Dialogues III with the addition of content that integrates critical and systems thinking and ethical decision making with the leadership and team concepts and skills developed in LD III. (Nursing only)</td>
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CLSC 6668  Screening/Assessment for Children/Youth with Autism and Other Neurodevelopmental Disabilities  3.0 cr.
Drs. T. Katz and S. Friedman. Program contact: Dina Johnson (dina.johnson@cuanschutz.edu) 303-724-7673 (Fall)
Prereq: Degree in health care profession or related field or consent of instructor.
This interdisciplinary course presents best practices in screening/assessment for autism, focusing on: identification of symptoms of autism; differentiation of autism from other disorders; recognition of symptoms; examination of culture on clinical presentation; and approaches to share observations.

CLSC 6699  Masters Research Project – Publishable Paper  1.0-6.0 cr.
Dr. L. Cicotto (lisa.cicotto@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall, Spring, Summer)
Prereq: Program consent (contact CLSC administrator for consent)
During this course students working with his/her research mentor and research project committee to plan, execute, and write the Final Research Project in the form of a publishable paper. In addition, students will prepare for the Final Research Project Examination. This is a capstone course.

CLSC 6750  Designing for Dissemination and Sustainability  2.0 cr.
Drs. B. Kwan (bethany.kwan@cuanschutz.edu) and M. Perez Jolles (monica.jolles@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall)
This course is one of three that focuses on dissemination and implementation research. This course reviews the organization and financing of interventions for health care systems and public health systems. The role of ethics, evidence, and health equity are examined.

CLSC 6770  D&I Grant Funding  2.0 cr.
Drs. C. Studts (christina.studts@cuanschutz.edu) and R. Glasgow (russell.glasgow@cuanschutz.edu) (Summer)
Prereq: Completion of CLSC 7653 Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health
This course provides an in-depth examination of issues in submitting successful grant proposals in Dissemination & Implementation research. The course will build upon good general practices in grant and manuscript preparation and submission.

CLSC 6850  Advanced Research Topics in Dissemination and Implementation Science  1.0 cr.
Dr. A. Huebschmann (amy.huebschmann@cuanschutz.edu) and K. Trinkley (katy.trinkley@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall)
Prereq: CLSC 7653 or instructor permission
Hybrid - Provides an overview of intermediate and advanced dissemination and implementation (D&I) science research methods in a small group discussion format. This interactive seminar series structure allows for interdisciplinary scientific dialogue among students at various stages.

CLSC 6950  Masters Research Project – Thesis  1.0-6.0 cr.
Dr. L. Cicotto (lisa.cicotto@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall, Spring, Summer)
Prereq: Program consent (contact CLSC administrator for consent)
During this course students plan, execute, and write the Final Research Project in the form of a Masters thesis. In addition, students will prepare for the Final Research Project Examination. This is a capstone course.

CLSC 7101  Grant Writing I  1.0 cr.
Dr. L. Cicotto (lisa.cicotto@cuhealth.org) (Spring); M. Plomondon (meg.plomondon@cuanschutz.edu) and A. Prochazka (allan.prochazka@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall)
Prereq: BIOS 6601 and EPID 6630; Program consent (contact CLSC administrator for consent). For non-CLSC students, please seek consent of the instructor.
This course prepares students to write research grant submissions. Topics covered include writing the various sections of grants: background, specific aims, hypotheses, methods, analysis, potential problem, and the summary. A fully prepared grant submission is required at the end of the course.

CLSC 7102  Grant Writing II  1.0 cr.
Dr. L. Cicotto (lisa.cicotto@cuhealth.org) (Spring); M. Plomondon (meg.plomondon@cuanschutz.edu) and A. Prochazka (allan.prochazka@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall)
Prereq: BIOS 6601 and EPID 6630, CLSC 7101; Program consent (contact CLSC administrator for consent). For non-CLSC students, please seek consent of the instructor.
This course builds on CLSC 7101 and further prepares students for subsequent grant submissions. Strategies for preparation (including hypothesis generation, experimental design, statistical considerations, and potential problems) will be discussed. At the end of the course, a KO8, R23, or equivalent national grant application will be completed for submission. A fully prepared grant submission is required at the end of the course.

CLSC 7150  Ethics and Responsible Conduct of Research  1.0 cr.
Dr. L. Ensign (lisa.ensign@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall, Spring)
Prereq: Program consent (contact CLSC administrator for consent). This course will provide an overview of the field of ethics in clinical research. It is designed for investigators who will be conducting research involving human subjects. Participants will learn the historical background, current regulations, and IRB requirements related to human subjects protection issues. Hands-on experiences will be provided to participants to learn how to develop approaches to address conducting ethical human subjects’ research in an optimal manner. In addition, participants will learn the essentials of responsible conduct of research.

CLSC 7202  Clinical Outcomes and Applications  3.0 cr.
Drs. C. Battaglia (catherine.battaglia@cuanschutz.edu) and C. Sasson (comilla.ssson@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall)
Prereq: BIOS 6601 and BIOS 6602) or (BIOS 6611 and EPID 6630). For non-CLSC students, please seek consent of the instructor. This course provides students with both the theory of clinical outcomes research and an opportunity to apply it through case studies. Clinical Outcomes Research focuses on methodologies used in clinical care, costs, health systems, policy and health outcomes research.

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CLSC 7300  Scientific Grant Review Process: CCTSI Proposals – Doctoral  1.0 cr.
Drs. J. Maloney (james.maloney@cuanschutz.edu) and K. Nadeau (kristen.nadeau@cuanschutz.edu) (Spring)
Prereq: Completion of required core courses in biostatistics (BIOS 6601 and BIOS 6602 or BIOS 6611 and BIOS 6612).
Students will understand and participate in the process of scientific review of human subject research protocols submitted to the University of Colorado Denver Clinical Translational Research Centers at University Hospital and The Children's Hospital.

CLSC 7650  Guided Research Tutorial – Doctoral  1.0-3.0 cr.
Dr. L. Cicutto (lisa.cicutto@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall, Spring, Summer)
Prereq: Program consent (contact CLSC administrator for consent), approved course plan.
This is an independent study course developed by the student and appropriate faculty member based on the area of study. Students meet regularly with the selected course instructor. The student and course instructor will develop a course plan prior to registration of the course.

CLSC 7653  Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health  3.0 cr.
Drs. B. Rabin (borsika.rabin@cuanschutz.edu) and C. Studts (christina.studts@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall)
Prereq: Program consent (contact CLSC administrator for consent)
Introduces dissemination and implementation (D&I) research and practice in the context of health (i.e., translational research in health).

CLSC 7663  Context and Adaptation in Dissemination & Implementation Research  2.0 cr.
Drs. C. Studts (christina.studts@cuanschutz.edu) and B. Rabin (borsika.rabin@cuanschutz.edu) (Spring)
Prereq: CLSC 7653 Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health; Program consent (contact CLSC administrator for consent)
This course covers concepts, frameworks, and methods for understanding and assessing context and guiding adaptations as relevant to dissemination and implementation (D&I) health research and practice.

CLSC 8990  Doctoral Thesis  1.0-10.0 cr.
Dr. L. Cicutto (lisa.cicutto@cuanschutz.edu) (Fall, Spring, Summer)
Prereq: Program consent (contact CLSC administrator for consent)
This course involves the student working with his/her research mentor and research project committee to develop, design and execute a clinical science doctoral study as well as to write up the project as a thesis. This course is the capstone to the PhD degree. Work may be associated with preparing for the written and oral component of the thesis defense examination.

REQUIRED CORE COURSES

BIOS 6601  Applied Biostatistics I  3.0 cr.
Applied biostatistical methods including descriptive and statistical inference; odds ratio and relative risk, probability theory, parameter estimation, tests for comparing statistics of two or more groups, correlation and linear regression and overviews of: multiple and logistic regression and survival analysis.

BIOS 6602  Applied Biostatistics II  3.0 cr.
Prereq: BIOS 6601. A continuation of BIOS 6601 extending the basic principles of descriptive and inferential statistics to modeling more complex relationships using linear regression, logistic regression, Poisson regression, and Cox regression. The statistical package SAS is used extensively.

BIOS 6611  Biostatistical Methods I  3.0 cr.
Restrictions: Enrollment in ColoradoSPH PhD, MS or DrPH program. Prereq: Calculus 1 and 2 with at least a B; a previous course in applied probability and statistics with at least a B; coursework or experience with a statistical package (e.g. SAS, R, Stata, SPSS); linear algebra is highly recommended and will be used extensively in the course; or permission of instructor. Students without this preparation, or seeking a less challenging course, should consider BIOS 6601/6602.
This course in applied statistics covers simulation, random sampling, nonparametric inference for the two-sample location problem; ANOVA, ANCOVA, and multiple linear regression. Matrix notation, R and SAS are used.

BIOS 6612  Biostatistical Methods II  3.0 cr.
Prereq: BIOS 6611. This is a continuation of BIOS 6611 covering univariate linear modeling and emphasizing multiple regression and analysis of variance. Logistic regression and methods for correlated data are also covered. Matrix algebra and the statistical package SAS will be used.

BIOS 6648  Design and Conduct of Clinical Research  3.0 cr.
Prereq: BIOS 6601 or BIOS 6611 or consent of instructor. Design and conduct of clinical research studies. Intended for non-biostatistics students. Topics include specifying the research question, study endpoints, study populations, study interventions, sample size evaluation, and choice of comparison groups. Common study designs and methods for study conduct are described.

EPID 6626  Research Methods in Epidemiology  3.0 cr.
Prereq: BIOS 6601, BIOS 6680, EPID 6630. Principles, concepts and methods for conducting ethical, valid and scientifically correct observational studies in epidemiological research are the focus of this class. Lectures and practical experience reinforce hypothesis formulation, study design, data collection and management, analysis and publication strategies.
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EPID 6630  Epidemiology  3.0 cr.
This course provides an introduction to descriptive and analytic methods in epidemiology and their application to research, preventive medicine and public health practice.

REQUIRED TRACK COURSES

BIOS 6680  Data Management Using SAS  3.0 cr.
Students will learn how to use SAS software for data management to prepare data for analyses. Main topics include importing and exporting data, variable and dataset manipulations. Introductions to producing reports, basic statistics, figures and SAS macros are also covered.

EPID 6631  Analytical Epidemiology  3.0 cr.
Prereq: EPID 6630 and BIOS 6601 or BIOS 6611
This course will provide the fundamental analytical skills for assessing and reporting disease status, determinants of disease and their impact on public health. Students will learn methods of determining rates of disease occurrence, measures of associations between exposures and disease, and techniques for identifying and correcting for misclassification, effect modifiers and confounders. This is a skill-building course. BIOS 6680 is not a prerequisite but is strongly encouraged.

HLTH 6071  Introduction to Health Information Technology  3.0 cr.
Examines what needs transforming in healthcare to improve value, safety, and appropriateness of care, and what the role of IT is in that transformation. IT also examines the challenges of cultural change and IT strategy in succeeding with clinical information projects. Differences between installation, implementation, transition and actual transformation are suggested, and methods for managing subcultures in healthcare (IT, clinical, administrative) are reviewed.

HSMP 6604  Health Care Economics  3.0 cr.
Uses economic theory to analyze and understand the US health care system. Topics include: Demand and supply of health and health care, health insurance, hospital, pharmaceuticals, and physicians. Analyzes institutional and legal incentives that affect physician, patient, and insurer decision-making.

HSMP 7010  Foundations in Health Services Research  1.0 cr.
Restriction: Permission of instructor required
Introduces students to the academic health services research literature. This seminar course requires students to participate in small seminars led by faculty on different health services research topics plus attending larger HSMP departmental seminars. Evaluation is based on weekly papers.

HSMP 7607  Methods in Health Services Research I  3.0 cr.
Prereq: BIOS 6611
The first of a two-course sequence in empirical methods in health services research. The statistical theory underlying basic empirical methods and the thoughtful implementation/practice of these methods is emphasized. Topics covered include: OLS, Gauss-Markov assumptions, logit/probit. Stata will be used.

HSMP 7609  Methods in Health Services Research II  3.0 cr.
Prereq: HSMP 7607, enrolled in PhD or DrPH or permission of instructor.
Students will learn how to specify and estimate econometric models to test theory-driven hypotheses. The course builds on HSMP 7607 and covers advanced methods related to panel/longitudinal, multinomial, survival, and count data models. Stata software will be used.

Restriction: Permission of instructor.
Doctoral thesis work in Health Systems Management and Policy.

NURS 6289  IT Systems Life Cycle  4.0 cr.
Prereq: Minimum of one informatics course or permission of instructor.
This course focuses on a structured approach to information system development and implementation. The course addresses the five phases of the life cycle: planning, analysis, design, implementation and evaluation.

NURS 6293  Database Management Systems  3.0 cr.
Dr. D. Skiba (diane.skiba@cuanschutz.edu) 303-724-8527
Prereq: NURS 6304 or permission of instructor.
An interdisciplinary course focused on design and application challenges in database management systems. Concepts of database modeling, querying, and reporting are explored. Students apply database concepts to clinical registries and Meaningful Use queries.

PUBH 6600 Foundations in Public Health  2.0 cr.
This course examines the historical and conceptual bases of public health, the key issues and problems faced by the public health system, and the tools available for the protection and enhancement of the public’s health.
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SUGGESTED ELECTIVE COURSES
(for additional electives please see https://www.cuanschutz.edu/registrar/course-books)

BIOL 5064 Cell Biology of Disease 3.0 cr.
Builds on the foundations laid in the prerequisite courses. How alterations in membrane transport, autophagy, mitochondria, lysosomes, cilia, unfolded protein response and autophagy lead to major human diseases. A major emphasis is the control and integration of cellular activities. Restriction: Restricted to degree-granting graduate programs. Cross-listed with BIOL 4064.

BIOL 5125 Molecular Biology Lab 3.0 cr.
Provides hands-on experiences in molecular biology and an appreciation for using the tools of molecular biology to study biological systems. Emphasis is placed on DNA cloning, PCR, mRNA and protein detection in the context of gene editing. Experimental design and the theories underlying the techniques are also discussed. Restriction: Restricted to degree granting graduate programs on the downtown campus as well as the School of Medicine on the Anschutz Medical campus. Cross-listed with BIOL 4125. Term offered: spring.

BIOL 5126 Molecular Genetics 3.0 cr.
Examines molecular techniques and their application to experimental genetics, specifically organization and mapping of genomes, application and model systems in defining hereditary components of disease, and mechanisms of identifying mutations and their implications for disease. Also addresses application of recombinant DNA technology. Restriction: Restricted to degree-granting graduate programs. Cross-listed with BIOL 4126.

BIOL 5134 Human Genetics 3.0 cr.

BIOL 5144 Medical Microbiology 3.0 cr.
Provides an understanding of the relationship between pathogenic organisms and their host. Emphasis is placed on the area of medical bacteriology, with attention given to mechanisms of pathogenesis, genetics of disease, serology and treatment. Restriction: Restricted to degree-granting graduate programs. Cross-listed with BIOL 4144.

BIOL 5165 Neurobiology 3.0 cr.
Overview of neuroscience, covering the cellular basis of neuronal activity, muscle, sensory structures and the structure and function of the human brain. Restriction: Restricted to degree-granting graduate programs. Cross-listed with BIOL 4165.

BIOL 5475 Mechanisms of Human Pathology 3.0 cr.
Studies physiological, cellular and biochemical processes in human diseases, with particular focus on non-communicable diseases such as diabetes, cardiovascular disease and diseases of aging such as osteoporosis and macular degeneration. Prereq: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. Cross-listed with BIOL 4475.

BIOL 5550 Cell Signaling 3.0 cr.
Lecture by faculty and student presentations cover mechanism of hormones and regulation of various cellular processes through second messenger systems. Restriction: Restricted to degree-granting graduate programs. Cross-listed with BIOL 4550.

BIOL 5634 Biology of Cancer 3.0 cr.
Cancer is the second leading cause of death in the United States. This course offers an overview of recent research into the causes, treatments and possible prevention of cancer. Includes a detailed look at the mechanisms of action of various oncogenes. Restriction: Restricted to degree-granting graduate programs. Cross-listed with BIOL 4634.

BIOS 6606 Statistics for the Basic Sciences 3.0 cr.
Restrictions: Enrollment in UCD-AMC graduate program or permission of the instructor. This course is designed for those wishing to obtain a basic understanding of statistics and its applications in biological research. Students will develop statistical literacy and an ability to perform basic statistical analyses, basic graphical statistics, data summarizations, and estimation and inference using statistical software.

BIOS 6621 Statistical Consulting I 1.0 cr.
Coreq: BIOS 6611 and consent of instructor/program director.
Students will gain experience with statistical consulting and common statistical problems and techniques encountered in consulting through a combination of real examples and consultations with investigators. Emphasis will be on methods for effective consulting and communication with investigators.

BIOS 6631 Statistical Theory I 3.0 cr.
Prereq: Differential and integral calculus.
This course presents an introductory coverage of the theory of discrete and continuous random variables and applications to statistical problems. Topics include probability theory, transformations and expectations, common families of distributions, multiple random variables, and properties of a random sample.

BIOS 6632 Statistical Theory II 3.0 cr.

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Prereq: BIOS 6631 and differential and integral calculus. This course covers theoretical and applied fundamentals of statistical inference. The course is a continuation of BIOS 6631. The primary topics include point estimation, hypothesis testing, interval estimation and asymptotic methods.

### BIOS 6646  Survival Analysis  3.0 cr.
Pre/Coreq: BIOS 6612 and BIOS 6632 or instructor permission. Restrictions: Offered in variable terms and years.
This course covers the analysis of time-to-event data with applications to biology, medicine, and public health. Nonparametric methods for group comparisons and semi-parametric regression models will be emphasized. Parametric methods and distribution theory for survival analysis will also be included.

### BIOS 6649  Clinical Trials: Statistical Design and Monitoring  3.0 cr.
Pre/Coreq: BIOS 6612 or instructor permission. Restrictions: Offered in variable terms and years.
Statistical and scientific design of clinical trials. Intended for biostatistics graduate students. Topics include scientific and statistical aspects of the research question, endpoints, treatments, sample size evaluation. A wide range of trial designs including group sequential and adaptive trial designs are covered.

### BIOS 6655  Statistical Methods in Genetic Association Studies  3.0 cr.
Prereq: BIOS 6611, BIOS 6612 (can be co-reg) or equivalent graduate level (bio)statistics course with instructor consent. Proficiency in coding in statistical software R. This course is designed to give an introduction to statistical methods in genetic association studies. Topics include quantitative and population genetics concepts relevant to genetic association studies, design strategies, and analysis methods for case-control and family data.

### BIOS 7712  Statistical Methods for Correlated Data  1.0 cr.
Prereq: BIOS 6643. Restrictions: offered variable years.
This course will cover statistical models and methods for serially correlated data, including autoregressive models, Markov models, and Markov chain Monte Carlo methods.

### BIOS 7713  Statistical Methods for Missing Data  1.0-2.0 cr.
Prereq: BIOS 6643. Restrictions: offered variable years
This course covers methodological research being carried out for longitudinal studies with missing data. Topics may include missing data mechanisms, non-ignorable missing data, multiple imputation, mixture models and sample size determinations. 1 credit or 2 credit course versions offered in variable years.

### CBHS 6610  Social and Behavioral Factors in Health  3.0 cr.
Considers social, behavioral, and cultural factors that affect the health of individuals and populations, and contribute to health disparities. Development, implementation and evaluation of programs and policies to promote and sustain healthy environments and lifestyles are examined. Online in summer.

### CBHS 6611  Foundations of Health Behavior  3.0 cr.
Course will cover basic theories, concepts, models from a range of social/behavioral disciplines used in public health research and practice. Applications of theoretical frameworks in specifying multiple targets and levels of intervention to public health research will be addressed.

### CBHS 6612  Methods in Research and Evaluation  3.0 cr.
Prereq: BIOS 6601. EPID 6630 recommended prior to this course.
Course covers social science research methods, including qualitative/quantitative research designs, data collection, and program evaluation (formative, process, outcome), to assess effectiveness of public health programs.

### CBHS 6620  Survey Research  3.0 cr.
Course examines survey research methodology, including face-to-face, telephone, mail and Internet surveys, includes: developing and ordering questions; formatting; reliability and validity; sampling; implementation; maximizing response rate; data issues; survey ethics and reporting.

### CBHS 6624  Community Health Assessment  3.0 cr.
Prereq: EPID 6630 and either CBHS 6610 or CBHS 6611.
Course teaches how to assess the social, cultural, economic, physical and environmental components of population health. Students use national/local demographic and health data. Includes working with community clients and off-campus community-based fieldwork.

### CPBS 7655  Statistical Methods in Genetic Association Studies  3.0 cr.
Prereq: BIOS 6612 or permission of instructor.
This course is designed to give an introduction to statistical methods in genetic association studies. Topics include an introduction to population genetics topics relevant to genetic association studies, design strategies and analysis methods for case-control and family data. Cross-listed: BIOS 6655.

### CPBS 7659  Statistical Methods in Genomics  3.0 cr.
Prereq: BIOS 6611 or equivalent graduate level statistics course with consent of instructor.
This course will give an introduction to statistical methods for analyzing molecular sequences and genomic data. Topics include hidden Markov models for sequence alignment, molecular evolution and gene expression data analysis.
Cross-listed Course: BIOS 6659 (sponsoring department)/BIOS 7659.
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CPBS 7660  Analysis of Genomics Data Using R and Bioconductor  2.0 cr.
Pre/Coreq: BIOS 6602 or 6612, or consent of instructor
This course provides students with hands on experience in solving real life biological problems using the statistical software R and Bioconductor. Students will work and communicate with participating researchers and clinicians on their case studies of genomics data.

CPBS 7711  Methods and Tools in Biomedical Informatics  4.0 cr.
Prereq: Permission of instructor.

DPTR 5151  Motor Control & Motor Learning  2.0 cr.
This course presents the foundation of motor learning and control as it applies to optimal movement across the lifespan. Emphasis is on variables related to task composition, the environment and augmented information that enhance practice of motor skills. These principles are applied to physical therapist practice.

DSEP 6000  Academic Writing for Doctoral Students  1.0 cr.
Tailored for graduate students in education. Focuses on techniques for improving academic writing, particularly planning, organizing, drafting, revising, and editing papers, i.e. course assignments, portfolio products, doctoral proposals or dissertation chapters. Prereq: Admission to doctoral program. Repeatable. Max Hours: 3 Credits.

EHOO 6614  Occupational and Environmental Health  3.0 cr.
Students will learn about the relationship between the environment, workplace and health. Topics include facets of industrial hygiene, air and water pollution, radiation monitoring, toxicology, occupational medicine, policy, environmental justice and sustainability. Methods include risk assessment, GIS and epidemiology.

EHOO 6616  Environmental & Occupational Toxicology  3.0 cr.
Prereq: EHOO 6614.
Presents an overview of information needed to assess the relationship between the environment, workplace and health. Topics include facets of industrial hygiene, air and water pollution, radiation monitoring, toxicology studies, clinical occupational medicine and biologic monitoring.

EHOO 6617  Environmental & Occupational Epidemiology  3.0 cr.
Prereq: EHOO 6614
Overall goal of course is to provide a background in epidemiology of diseases related to environmental and/or occupational exposures. Application of epidemiologic research methods to determine and prevent such diseases will be discussed.

EHOO 6618  Environmental Health Policy and Practice  3.0 cr.
Prereq: EHOO 6614
Examine the environmental policy-making and planning and regulatory and non-regulatory approaches to controlling environmental hazards. A wide variety of topics will be introduced with cross-disciplinary perspectives ranging from water and air to the built environment and climate change.

EHOO 6619  Environmental Exposures and Health Effects  3.0 cr.
Prereq: EHOO 6614 Coreq: EPID 6630.
This course integrates earth sciences, exposure sciences and biological sciences to understand conditions and circumstances of recent env/occ exposure events, the methods to assess exposures; and related health impacts. Case studies and laboratory exercises are used to guide instruction.

EPI D 6622  Cancer Prevention and Control  2.0 cr.
Prereq: EHOO 6414, EPID 6630  Restriction: Offered in variable years
Course provides overview of preventable cancers, epidemiology and contributing factors. Phases of cancer control research and appropriate methodologies are discussed. Basic principles of intervention development are reviewed. Psychosocial issues related to cancer are discussed. Students research topic related to course.

EPI D 6629  Clinical Epidemiology  2.0 cr.
Prereq: EPID 6630  Restriction: Offered in variable years.
This course provides an overview of the design, conduct and appraisal of clinical research. Topics include study design, issues in randomized trials, measurement error, assessment of diagnostic and screening tests, measurement of health-outcomes, meta-analysis and use of questionnaires.

EPI D 6635  Infectious Disease Epidemiology  2.0 cr.
Prereq: EPID 6630.
This overview course covers a broad range of topics including basic epidemiologic concepts, vaccines, emerging pathogens, hospital infection control, foodborne illness and outbreaks. Specific pathogens are also reviewed due to their public health importance or their ability to demonstrate important epidemiologic principles.

EPI D 6636  Chronic Disease Epidemiology  3.0 cr.
Prereq: EPID 6630; Restriction: Offered in odd years.
The epidemiology of major chronic diseases of Western countries will be reviewed including heart disease, cancer, stroke, diabetes, neurological diseases, and selected other conditions. Methodologic issues related to the study of these diseases, disease surveillance and strategies for prevention will also be covered.
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<td>Injury &amp; Violence Epidemiology and Prevention</td>
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<td>Students will learn the major causes of and risk factors for injuries and violence, identify and use key data sources to characterize injury problems, develop and evaluate injury control and prevention strategies, critically analyze literature and explore injury related research questions.</td>
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<td>EPID 6638</td>
<td>Global Cardiovascular Epidemiology</td>
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<td>A review of the major issues in global cardiovascular disease epidemiology, including trends, the extent of the disease nationally and internationally, implications of major epidemiologic studies, and strategies for prevention. Emphasis of the course will be on review and interpretation of the cardiovascular epidemiology literature.</td>
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<td>EPID 6646</td>
<td>Methods for Conducting Systemic Review and Meta-Analysis</td>
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<td>This course provides a broad understanding of the application of systematic reviews to public health, medicine, and health policy. It introduces key steps for performing systemic reviews and meta-analyses through hands-on exercises, including formulating a research question and hypothesis, developing a search strategy, identifying eligible studies, extracting data, assessing the risk of bias of included studies, and synthesizing the evidence.</td>
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<td>EPID 7632</td>
<td>Advanced Epidemiology 2</td>
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<td>This is an advanced course on epidemiologic methods designed to improve the student's ability to conduct and interpret observational epidemiologic studies.</td>
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<td>This course will be a problem-based class, covering basic genetic principles and teaching epidemiologic methods employed in the investigation of the genetic susceptibility to chronic disease.</td>
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<td>EPID 7911</td>
<td>Epidemiologic Field Methods</td>
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<td>Prereq: EPID 6626, EPID 6630, EPID 6631, EPID 6632, BIOS 6611, BIOS 6612. Course Restrictions: Enrollment in Epidemiology PhD Program or permission of Instructor.</td>
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<td>Ph.D. students have the opportunity to work with faculty on current epidemiologic projects to develop skills in field research, proposal writing, budget development, staff hiring and training, protocol and instrument development and implementation, and specific methods topics.</td>
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<td>EPID 7915</td>
<td>Analytic Methods in Epidemiology</td>
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<td>Prereq: EPID 6626, EPID 6630, EPID 6631, EPID 6632, BIOS 6601/BIOS 6602 or BIOS 6611/BIOS6612. Course Restrictions: Permission of instructor is required. Advanced treatment of techniques in the analysis of epidemiological studies, including longitudinal, time-dependent, survival data, causality, missing data, etc. Students will analyze data sets currently on file using contemporary epidemiological methods.</td>
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<td>HMGP 7600</td>
<td>Survey of Human Genetics</td>
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<td>Survey of human genetics, including Mendelian and other types of inheritance, chromosomes and cytogenetics, molecular and biochemical basis of genetic disease, quantitative genetics and gene mapping, developmental and cancer genetics, clinical genetics, and genetic screening and prenatal diagnosis.</td>
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<td>Health Equity</td>
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<td>Addresses health inequities affecting the poor, racial and ethnic minorities, prisoners, rural residents, disabled, GLBTI and other populations. The course studies: 1) measurement/data issues in health inequity research; 2) institutionalized, personally mediated and internalized causes; and 3) solutions/challenges.</td>
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<td>HSMP 6605</td>
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<td>Course focuses on important U.S. health policy issues and analysis, implementation, and communication skills for the practice of health policy. Evaluation is based on in-class labs, group projects, and analysis paper of a health policy case example.</td>
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<td>HSMP 6606</td>
<td>Public Health Administration</td>
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<td>Course provides an introduction to public health management and administration. Components aim to stimulate interactions around important problems and issues including managerial decision-making and increasing practical knowledge, tools, and strategies required by organizational decision-makers. Business plans are produced.</td>
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<td>Ethical and Legal Issues in Public Health</td>
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<td>Course explores the legal and ethical dimension of public health. It focuses on topics that generate legal and ethical controversies, including governmental duties to protect citizens, nature and extent of the government’s ability to regulate conduct, and responses to epidemics.</td>
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<td>HSMP 6609</td>
<td>Cost Benefit and Effectiveness in Health</td>
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<td>Prereq: HSMP 6604 or permission of instructor. Introduces students to the basics of economic evaluations of health care interventions or technology. Economic evaluations provide a method to assimilate different cost and health outcomes associated with medical treatments into a common metric.</td>
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HSMP 6616  Introduction to Health Policy Analysis and Communication  1.0 cr.
Introduces a framework for systemically and critically evaluating the health policy literature. Reviews effective oral and written communication skills for presenting policy analyses. Evaluation is based on a written analysis of a policy paper of the student’s choosing.

IDPT 7200  Scientific Writing for Doctoral Students  2.0 cr.
Restrictions: Must have passed preliminary examination; permission of instructor.
Scientific writing course for students engaged in research. Focuses on critical thinking, analytical writing, and oral presentation. Taught as a writing workshop, the course emphasizes effective communication with both professional and non-technical audiences.

IDPT 7646  Tissue Biology and Disease Mechanism  3.0 cr.
Prereq: IDPT 7811, IDPT 7812, IDPT 7813, IDPT 7814, IDPT 7815 (BIOM Sci Core Courses).
This course provides an overview of organ systems and disease through 1) a survey of the major systems, including the cellular and molecular mechanisms underlying their function and repair, integrated with 2) common diseases, current therapies, and their mechanistic basis.

IMMU 7662  Immunology  6.0 cr.
This course covers the basic principles of the immune system. Included are discussions on (i) the innate and adaptive immune responses, (ii) the molecular and cellular basis of immune specificity and (ii) aspects of clinical immunology.

IPHY 7801  Molecular Mechanisms of Reproductive Endocrinology and Metabolism  3.0 cr.
Prereq: Core Courses IDPT 7811, 7812, 7813, 7814, 7815. Restrictions: CU-AMC grad students; others by permission of the Course Director.
Endocrine systems will be covered from the molecule to the systems level. Pituitary secretions actions/ regulation, regulation of water, ion, calcium balance, regulation of metabolism including insulin secretion/action will be discussed, the context of normal physiology, the mechanisms of endocrine dysfunction.

MICB 7701  Molecular Virology and Pathogenesis  3.0 cr.
Prereq: MICB 7706, MICB 7705 are desirable but not required. Restrictions: Permission of Instructor.
Topics in this course include viral structure and genome organization, replication and expression of viral genomes, mechanism of action of tumor viruses, molecular aspects of virus-host cell interactions, animal models of infectious diseases and pathogenesis of human viruses.

MICB 7703  Molecular Mechanisms of Bacterial Disease  3.0 cr.
Prereq: Recommended Fundamentals of Microbiology Restrictions: Permission of the instructor. Course focuses on molecular processes that bacteria utilize to cause disease in humans. The course content will use specific examples from pathogenic bacteria to illustrate common virulence mechanisms utilized to initiate, maintain and survive interactions with host cells.

MICB 7704  Host Response to Infectious Disease  1.0 cr.
Prereq: Biomedical Core Courses.
This interactive graduate course, which provides an overview and specific examples of the host response to infectious disease. Current research and future directions in the field are discussed. Students are assessed via presentations, participation, and an exam.

MICB 7705  Medical Microbiology  4.0 cr.
The course will focus on Microbiology, Infectious Diseases. Course content will focus on: pathogenic bacterial, viruses, fungi, parasites; emphasis on microbial virulence determinants, host-pathogen interactions emphasizing host immune responses, signs, symptoms of disease presentation, epidemiology, and diagnosis of infectious diseases.

NRSC 7600  Cellular & Molecular Biology  3.0 cr.
A comprehensive, in-depth, discussion-based course intended for candidates for the PhD in Neuroscience. Topics include ion channel structure and function, ionic basis of the resting and action potential, and the biochemistry and physiology of direct and indirect synaptic transmission.

NRSC 7610  Fundamentals of Neurobiology  3.0 cr.
Prereq: NRSC 7600 or equivalent at the discretion of the instructors.
This course will provide basic knowledge on the structure and function of the nervous system. The lectures will be supplemented by discussion of primary research literature in neurobiology.

NURS 6274  Semantic Representation  3.0 cr.
Introduces the concept of classifying nursing phenomena to facilitate data management and retrieval. Topics include: minimum data sets, nursing language, classification systems and vocabularies, and relates each topic to nursing practice, administration, and research.

NURS 6279  Knowledge Management  3.0 cr.
Prereq: Minimum of one informatics course or permission of instructor.
The need for knowledge discovery, distribution, and management in clinical settings is examined. Knowledge Management techniques (probabilistic/statistical models, machine learning, data mining, queuing theory, computer simulation) are examined. The specification of a knowledge management comprehensive system for healthcare is developed.
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<td>Fundamentals of Pharmaceutical Sciences</td>
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### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR COURSE INFORMATION

University of Colorado Denver Clinical Science Program
[https://cctsi.cuanschutz.edu/training/clsc](https://cctsi.cuanschutz.edu/training/clsc)

Colorado School of Public Health
[http://ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/PublicHealth/Academics/academic/Pages/CoursesRegistration.aspx](http://ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/PublicHealth/Academics/academic/Pages/CoursesRegistration.aspx)

University of Colorado Denver School of Pharmacy
[http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/pharmacy/Pages/SchoolofPharmacy.aspx](http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/pharmacy/Pages/SchoolofPharmacy.aspx)

University of Colorado Denver College of Nursing – Health Informatics
[http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/nursing/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/nursing/Pages/default.aspx)

University of Colorado Denver Physical Therapy Program
[http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/medicalschool/education/degree_programs/pt/Pages/PT.aspx](http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/medicalschool/education/degree_programs/pt/Pages/PT.aspx)

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