

**Guide for Studying in the “PhD in Global Health” Program with a major
in Health Policy and Management
[Institute of Health Policy and Management, CPH, NTU]**

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I. Curriculum Requirements

1. Students must complete at least eighteen credits required by the Program. Credits of the dissertation is additional to these required credits of the Program.
2. Required courses are as follows:
 - Essential of Global Health (3 credits)
 - Principle and application in the health research methods (3 credits)
 - Biostatistics for public health (3 credits)
 - Theory of method in epidemiology (3 credits)
 - Global health policy and management (3 credits)
 - Environmental and Occupational Health (3 credits)
3. Two independent study should be completed (2 credits each) under the supervision of two different faculty members. A final report should be completed in the format of “submitable article”.

II. Dissertation advisor

4. Students shall choose a dissertation advisor before the first semester of the second academic year begins.

III. Qualification Examination

5. Students who have completed the required courses (better in the first academic year) are required to take the qualification examination before the end of the second academic year.
6. Two subjects are included in the qualification examination: Principle and application in the health research methods and Global health policy and management.
7. The exam will be held in the first two weeks in the first semester of the second academic year and will be in-class and closed book.
8. A test score above 70 on a scale of 0-100 is deemed as “pass”. Students who fail the exam may have a second chance to take the exam again. Students who fail the second attempt shall be expelled from the Program.

IV. The Dissertation Proposal

9. The dissertation proposal and a list of the committee members should be approved by the Curriculum Committee of IHPM.
10. Students shall receive the title of Ph.D. candidate after the dissertation proposal is approved.

- V. Students shall have at least one first-author empirical article under the name of IHPM accepted or published in academic journals listed in SCI or SSCI journals before oral defense of dissertation.
- VI. Oral defense of the dissertation
11. The dissertation committee shall consist of five to nine members.
 12. The draft of the dissertation must be written in designated formats and be approved by the Curriculum Committee of IHPM.
 13. The oral defense is considered “pass” when the grade is B- or higher.
 14. Students who fail the exam may have a second chance to take the exam again. Students who fail the second attempt shall be expelled from the program.
- VII. The maximum length of study in this program is seven years (excluding time for suspended studies). Students who fail to complete the above requirements within the due time shall be expelled from the program.