

School of Public and Allied Health, Graduate

Master of Science and Master of Education Degree Programs

Students seeking certification must meet all requirements listed in the teacher certification section of this catalog. Specific requirements may be obtained from the Office of Teacher Certification in the College of Education.

Purpose and Goals

The graduate programs in the School of Public and Allied Health are designed to meet the professional needs and interests of students who wish to pursue a Master of Science or a Master of Education. The graduate programs are designed for those students with special interests in the areas of Health and Physical Education.

The Master's degree in Physical Education is primarily for teachers, coaches, and school administrators. The curriculum prepares students for advanced teaching and/or administrative endeavors at the elementary or secondary levels.

The Master's degree in Health is primarily for those students who are interested in school health education or working in various health care settings such as hospitals, public and private health and education agencies, or health promotion programs. An internship is required.

Degree Requirements for Applicants without a Baccalaureate Degree in Health and/or Physical Education

Professional students who seek admission to the master's program must meet the same prerequisite and degree requirements as baccalaureate degree students. Students are expected to complete the prerequisite curriculum within two years of the initial admission date.

Two "C" Rule

Continual matriculation at PVAMU requires that no more than two C's shall be earned in a graduate degree program. A student who has earned more than two C grades will be automatic dismissed from the graduate program.

NOTE: No grade of "C" or below will be accepted toward certification.

Thesis

For the capstone of their educational experience, students in the department are expected to conduct an original piece of publishable research and/or contribute to the knowledge base of behavioral sciences and health education. Thesis are written under the supervision of individual faculty members in the department. Research topics and support for studies are provided by health agencies and organizations in the area.