What are the degree requirements?

Forty-two (42) units are required for the MPH degree; thirty-three (33) units of coursework must be 500 level courses.

Required Core Competency courses (24 units)
HESC 500 Issues in Public Health (3 units)
HESC 501 Advanced Methods in Epidemiology (3 units)
HESC 508 Statistical Methods in Health Science (3 units)
HESC 510 Research Methods in Health Science (3 units)
HESC 515 Advanced Environmental Health (3 units) Summer only
HESC 524 Public Health Administration (3 units) Summer only
HESC 535 Advanced Study in Program Planning and Evaluation (3 units)
HESC 540 Health Promotion and Disease Prevention (3 units)

Internship (6 units)
HESC 550 Graduate Internship (6 units)
   The Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) requires 240 hours of internship. Students may begin the internship after completing all Core Competency Courses and two (2) electives. Usually students begin their internship in the spring semester of year 2. More details can be found under the Requirements section.

Electives (9 to 12 units)
Selected from approved track electives list provided to students

Culminating Experience
HESC 597 Project (3 units)
HESC 598 Thesis (3 units), or
Comprehensive Examination (0 units, must take additional 3 unit elective)

The Master of Public Health program can be completed in 2 years if students enroll in 9 units each semester and 6 units during the summer between year 1 and year 2. Two Core Competency courses (HESC 515, HESC 524) are offered during the summer only