Division of Epidemiology, Human Genetics and Environmental Sciences
Waiver of a Required Epidemiology Course
for MPH, MS, DrPH, and PhD students

All students who major or minor in Epidemiology are expected to meet the course requirements and competencies for major or minor degree programs in Epidemiology. A student may have already taken a course (or series of courses) that are comparable to a required Epidemiology course. A student may request an exemption from taking a particular required course, and the student should discuss this possibility with their academic advisor. The student must be able to provide documentation that demonstrates the comparability of their previous course(s), the successful completion of that course(s), and fulfillment of the learning objectives for the Epidemiology course they want to waive, satisfactory to the course instructor(s) and academic advisor.

A student may have acquired work experience that they believe should provide exemption from a required Epidemiology course, and the student should discuss the possibility of exemption with their academic advisor. The student must provide documentation of the work experience and demonstrate the comparability of the work experience to the learning objectives of the Epidemiology course they want to waive, satisfactory to the course instructor(s) and academic advisor.

Both the academic advisor and course instructor(s) must approve of the exemption before the signed waiver form is submitted to Academic Affairs for retention in the student's records. Please note that a successful exemption does not confer credit hours. Other courses will need to be taken to fulfill credit hour requirements.

Documentation provided to the course instructor(s) and academic advisor in support of the waiver (at least one must be checked):
- Transcripts documenting relevant course grade(s)
- Syllabus of the completed course(s)
- Learning objectives of the completed course(s)
- Documentation of relevant work experience
- Other (e.g., work or course products):

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Student’s name (please print):

Student’s degree program (check one):  [ ] MPH  [ ] MS  [ ] PhD  [ ] DrPH

Student’s Major Program (please print):

Student’s Minor Program (please print):

Academic Advisor (please print):

Course (Title and Number) to be waived:

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Academic Advisor Signature                                             Date

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Course Instructor Signature for Waived Course                                  Date