PUBLIC HEALTH MINOR

The minor in Public Health will provide students with an introduction to the vital principles of public health. Through two required courses in public health and epidemiology students explore the ways social, political and economic forces influence the health of populations and learn about the causes and control of disease, including epidemics and pandemics. Elective courses allow students either to focus on public health, through courses in global public health, nutrition, economics, sociology, health care, history of medicine, and health policy.

This minor is appropriate for students considering careers and/or further study in the health professions, particularly in medicine, community or global public health, political science, management, sociology, psychology, prelaw, social work, health promotion, nursing, and other fields. The past few years have seen an increase of interest in public health, by not only students in Biology and the Health Promotion Department, but from other majors. The college has seen an increase in students expressing interest in applying to graduate programs in public health. The minor in public health will provide an opportunity for our students to utilize this program to augment their education in this area. Additionally, after reviewing the topics of the new MCAT exams, there is an increased expectation that students should be aware of issues that are related to the delivery of health care, health care, public health, the sociology of health care and epidemiology.

The minor in Public Health is an interdisciplinary program with two required courses offered and administered by the Department of Biology and Health Promotion.

Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Select two of the following courses:		
BIO-1101	Introduction to Human Biology	
BIO-1107	Anatomy and Physiology I	
BIO-1108	Anatomy and Physiology II	
BIO-1201	General Biology I	
BIO-1140	Anatomy and Physiology for Nursing and Health Science I	
HS-1501	Introduction to Public Health	3
HS-2406	Epidemiology	3
Select two of the	following courses:	6
BIO-1001	History of Science & Medicine In America	
HS-1201	Community Health	
HS-1207	Nutrition	
HS-1306	Healing and Wholeness	
HS-1403	Women's Health Issues	
HS-2240	Introduction to Environmental Public Health	
HS-2150	Methods in Teaching Health	
ECO-3310	Health Economics	
PHI-2502	Medical Ethics	
SOC-4008	Topic: Sociology of Health & Medicine	
Total Hours		19-20