

Minor - Society and Health

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The minor in society and health focuses on the socioeconomic, cultural, and psychological factors associated with human health at multiple levels of society, coupled with their implications for ethical health care practice and policy. Students will develop an interdisciplinary social science and humanities-based approach to understanding health and an appreciation for the value of interprofessional, team-based problem-solving to improve health care and health outcomes.

Course Requirements

The minor in society and health is interdisciplinary and consists of 18 credit hours, including Math 115 or Psy 202; one of the two following courses – Soc 370/Hon 315 or SOHE 329; and 12 credit hours from the following list of advanced social science and humanities courses. Students must take courses from at least two different departments when completing the last requirement of 12 credit hours of advanced social science and humanities courses. The same course may not satisfy requirements for both the major and the minor. Students who complete relevant internships, special topics, study abroad, or directed study courses must consult with the director prior to enrollment in the course for approval. Students must receive a grade of C or higher on all courses to be applied to the minor.

Advanced Courses (12 hours from at least two different departments)

Phil 328. Biomedical Ethics
Rel 363. Religious Perspectives on Aging and Death
Rel 388. Religion, Illness, and Healing
Psy 301. Developmental Psychology
Psy 311. Abnormal Psychology
Psy 321. Social Psychology
Psy 410. Health Psychology
Psy 417. Disasters and Mental Health
Psy 460/G St 460. Psychology of Human Sexuality
Psy 465 [565]/G St 465. Psychology of Gender
SW 427. Psychosocial Aspects of Loss Death Grief
Soc 301. The Family
Soc 310. Sociology of Disability
Soc 311. Social Problems
Soc 345. Population Trends and Problems
Soc 370/Hon 315. Society and Population Health/Explorations in Population Health
Soc 413. Race and Ethnicity
Soc 427. Social Stratification
Soc 455. Population Studies Applied Research
Anth 349. Medical Anthropology
IMC 585/Jour 585. Health Communication
NHM 311. Principles of Nutrition
NHM 323. Human Development
NHM 328. Child Development
NHM 417. Community Nutrition
LA 411. Elder Law
SOHE 301. Topics in Society and Health Abroad
SOHE 302. Topics in Society and Health
SOHE 329. Medical Humanities
SOHE 495. Society and Health Internship
SOHE 497. Directed Study in Society and Health

Other Academic Requirements

Admission to the minor in society and health is based on submission and approval of an application. Students must officially apply to the minor after having completed either Society and Population Health (Soc 370/Hon 315) or Medical Humanities (SoHe 329) with a grade of C or higher. The application process will consider a student's performance in the initial required course, overall GPA, and essay on academic and professional goals related to society and health.

