MINOR IN PUBLIC HEALTH

Public health is a diverse and dynamic field. Public health professionals come from varying educational backgrounds and can specialize in an array of fields. A host of specialists, including teachers, medical professionals, journalists, researchers, administrators, social workers, environmentalists, laboratory sciences, demographers, and attorneys work to protect the health of the public.

The Institute of Medicine (IOM) determined that keeping the public healthy required a well educated public health workforce and educated citizens. The IOM recommends that all undergraduates have access to education in public health. Furthermore, the changing health care system in America will undoubtedly place more emphasis on primary prevention in the future. As specialists in prevention, students with a public health background will be well suited to meet these societal demands. Additionally, students with this minor will be better prepared should they desire graduate education in the field of public health.

A minimum of 21 credit hours is required to complete the minor. The internship includes 150 hours of field experience.

Code	Title	Hours
HEAL 2700	Introduction to Public Health	3
HEAL 2750	Introduction to Epidemiology (FL)	3
HEAL 3000	Global Health (FL)	3
HEAL 3600	Prevention And Control Of Disease	3
HEAL 4100	Health Behavior (FL)	3
HEAL 4940	Senior Field Experience	3
Elective Course (select one)		3
ECON 4750	Health Economics	
HEAL 3500	Environmental Health (SP)	
HEAL 4800	Public Health Research And Statistics (SP)	
SOC 4180	Medical Sociology	

Courses noted with FL or SP are only offered in those semesters. Students will be required to meet all of the prerequisites and corequisites for the courses in the minor.

