



Albany College of Pharmacy AND HEALTH SCIENCES

MINOR IN PUBLIC HEALTH

Public Health is an interdisciplinary field that integrates knowledge and skills from a wide range of academic disciplines to promote the health and safety of communities. The minor in Public Health at ACPHS complements an education in clinical or biomedical sciences by emphasizing the broader socio-cultural, structural, and economic contexts in which individuals and populations experience health and illness. The minor introduces students to the core perspectives and competencies of Public Health, including the central role of research, while retaining flexibility to personalize the program around students' interests and plans.

MINOR IN PUBLIC HEALTH REQUIRED COURSES

Foundations of Public Health: 9 required credits

PBH 120: Intro to Public Health (3)

Two courses (6 credits) [at least one 300-level or above] chosen from SOC 420: Health and Social Policy; SOC 335: Global Health; ETH 310: Bioethics; PBH 220 Environmental Health; PSY 321: Health Psychology; PBH 345: Community Health Practice; COM 3xx Health Promotion; COM 315: Health Campaigns; SOC 350: Disparities and Social Justice; HIS 330: History of Public Health and Medicine; PAD 451: US and Global Health Care Systems; SOC 325: Medical Sociology; additional courses approved by program director

Research Skills: 3 required credits

One additional course chosen from SOC 301: Research Methods; PBH 3xx: Intro to Epidemiology; PBH 340: Survey Research Methods; COM 350: Qualitative Methods; PBH 320: Geography of Health; HRI 645: Epidemiology; PAD 636: Statistical Programming; PBH 210/211: Introduction to Data; Independent Study Research with a Public Health faculty member (prior approval required); additional courses approved by program director

Focused Electives: 6 required credits

Community Engagement: One additional course (3) chosen from COM 315: Health Campaigns; COM 330: Intercultural Communication in Healthcare; HUM 386: Culture, Customs and Health of Belize; HIS 325: History of the Plagues; SOC 330: Cultures of Disability; SOC 350: Disparities and Social Justice; additional courses approved by program director

Health Care Systems: One additional course (3) chosen from ETH 415: Health, Disease, and Authority; PSY 440: Death and Dying; SOC 325: Medical Sociology; HIS 330: History of Public Health and Medicine; PAD 451: US and Global Health Care Systems; COM 320 Patient-Provider Communication; ECN 317 Health Economics; additional courses approved by program director.