SOCIETY, HEALTH AND MEDICINE - MINOR

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Description
The Society, Health and Medicine minor exposes students to the sociocultural, political and organizational dimensions of health and medicine while also promoting an understanding of the social determinants of health.

Students combine core courses from medical sociology with a series of electives of their choosing. Electives cut across many disciplines and content areas, allowing students to design a minor that aligns with their academic and career goals. The minor is well suited to students with an academic interest in health, medicine or health disparities, as well as those pursuing careers in the health professions.

Admission Requirements
Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor’s degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

To declare Society, Health and Medicine minor, students must have a minimum 2.000 overall Kent State University GPA. No Kent State University GPA is required if the student is a first-semester freshman or transfer student admitted in good standing.

Program Learning Outcomes
Graduates of this program will be able to:
1. Understand how health and wellness are shaped by factors such as race, gender and socioeconomic status
2. Understand how medical care is organized in the United States and other countries
3. Understand who receives health care and who does not
4. Understand how medical providers are socialized into their roles
5. Understand how patients navigate illness and treatment

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Minor Elective, choose from the following:
SOC 32565  SOCIOLOGY OF SEXUALITIES (DIVD)
SOC 32569  MINORITIES IN THE UNITED STATES (DIVD)
SOC 42010  DEATH AND DYING
SOC 42421  CHILDHOOD IN SOCIETY
SOC 42478  ADOLESCENCE IN SOCIETY
SOC 42560  SOCIOLOGY OF FOOD
SOC 42562  SOCIOLOGY OF MENTAL ILLNESS
SOC 42879  AGING IN SOCIETY (DIVD)

Interdisciplinary Electives, choose from the following:
AFS 33171  AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITIES (DIVD)
ANTH 48250  MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY (DIVG)
BSCI 40020  BIOLOGY OF AGING
BSCI 40157  NEUROBIOLOGY OF DRUG ADDICTION
BSCI 40463  MEDICAL BIOTECHNOLOGY
CES 44084  BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE IN HEALTH PROFESSIONS
COMM 26501  INTRODUCTION TO HEALTH COMMUNICATION
COMM 46503  HEALTH COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA
COMM 46507  EVERYDAY INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION AND HEALTH
CRIM 36800  LGBTQ POPULATIONS IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM (DIVD)
CRIM 37311  MINORITIES IN CRIME AND JUSTICE (DIVD)
CRIM 37411  WOMEN IN CRIME AND JUSTICE (DIVD)
CRIM 46701  CRIME, JUSTICE AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE
CRIM 46708  TREATMENT METHODS
ECON 42086  ECONOMICS OF HEALTH CARE
ENG 30052  MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC WRITING
EXSC 15010  INTRODUCTION TO EXERCISE SCIENCE
EXSC 40612  EXERCISE LEADERSHIP FOR THE OLDER ADULT
GEOG 42052  MEDICAL GEOGRAPHY
GERO 14029  INTRODUCTION TO GERONTOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)
GERO 40656  PSYCHOLOGY OF AGING
HDFS 44039  BEREAVEMENT, TRAUMA AND OTHER LOSSES
HED 11570  PERSONAL HEALTH
HED 11590  COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION
HED 14020  MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY
HED 21030  INTRODUCTION TO HEALTH EDUCATION
HED 21050  HEALTH EDUCATION THEORIES
HED 30000  TEACHING HEALTH TO YOUNG LEARNERS
HED 32530  DRUG USE AND MISUSE
HED 32544  HUMAN SEXUALITY
HED 34050  PROGRAM PLANNING AND EVALUATION IN HEALTH EDUCATION
HIST 31075  HISTORY OF WOMEN IN THE UNITED STATES
or WMST 30100  HISTORY OF WOMEN IN THE UNITED STATES
HIST 31550  MEDICINE IN THE MODERN WORLD SINCE 1500
IHS 10000  CAREERS IN HEALTH SCIENCES AND HUMAN SERVICES
LGBT 20020  INTRODUCTION TO LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER AND QUEER STUDIES
LGBT 40201  TRANSGENDER STUDIES
NURS 10060  INTRODUCTION TO PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE
NURS 20950  HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS
NURS 32060  TRANSCULTURAL NURSING ADVANCING CULTURAL HUMILITY
NURS 35040  COMPLEMENTARY AND INTEGRATIVE HEALTH
NURS 35070  NURSING ETHICS IN CLINICAL PRACTICE
NURS 35080  CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN NURSING PRACTICE AND HEALTH CARE
NURS 40089  INTERNATIONAL HEALTH CARE POLICIES (ELR) (WIC)
NURS 45010  HEALTHCARE POLICY AND DELIVERY SYSTEMS
NURS 45080  INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACHES TO PALLIATIVE AND END OF LIFE CARE
NUTR 23511  SCIENCE OF HUMAN NUTRITION (KBS)
NUTR 35319  NUTRITION, HEALTH AND SOCIETY
PESP 15010  INTRODUCTION TO PHYSICAL EDUCATION, FITNESS AND SPORT
PH 10001  INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC HEALTH
PH 10002  INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL HEALTH (DIVG)
PH 20001  ESSENTIALS OF EPIDEMIOLOGY
PH 20015  ZOMBIE OUTBREAK
PH 22001  PLAGUES AND PANDEMICS: HOW INFECTION SHAPED CULTURE AND HISTORY
PH 30005  SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE THEORIES IN PUBLIC HEALTH
PH 30006  INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY
PH 30007  PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF DISEASES
PH 30012  COMMUNICABLE DISEASES
PH 30015  UNITED STATES HEALTH CARE SYSTEM
PH 30033  PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY AND DECISION-MAKING
PH 32005  EMERGING ISSUES IN COMMUNITY HEALTH
PH 35005  ADVOCACY AND ACTIVISM IN PUBLIC HEALTH
PH 43014  PUBLIC HEALTH AND MASS INCARCERATION
PH 43089  PLAGUES THAT SHAPED THE WORLD
PH 44000  HEALTH DISPARITIES (DIVD) (WIC)
PH 44003  ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ISSUES IN LOW-AND MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES
PH 44020  PUBLIC HEALTH ETHICS IN PRACTICE, POLICY AND RESEARCH
PHIL 30015  MEDICINE AND MORALITY
PHIL 40005  HEALTH CARE ETHICS

PHIL 41034  PHILOSOPHY OF PSYCHOLOGY AND PSYCHIATRY
POL 40450  HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL POLICY
PSYC 22221  MULTICULTURAL PSYCHOLOGY (DIVD)
PSYC 30656  PSYCHOLOGY OF AGING
PSYC 41581  HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY
PSYC 41584  THE PSYCHOLOGY OF EXERCISE
RPTM 16000  FOUNDATIONS OF RECREATION AND LEISURE
RPTM 26001  INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNITY INCLUSION FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 18

1 Some courses may have prerequisites for registration.

Graduation Requirements

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- Students must complete at least two upper-division (30000 or 40000 level) courses in the minor at Kent State on a graded basis (A-F).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.
- Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).