

Public Health-related Majors

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Health, Behavior, and Society

This major has 12 required and 1 pre-requisite course. It is a Bachelor of Arts major that satisfies the Social Science requirement of the Rochester Curriculum.

Key goals for this major:

- Understand the psychological and societal structures and mechanisms affecting human health behavior;
- Understand that health and disease do not depend uniquely on biological mechanisms, but include societal and cultural influences as well;
- Understand that psychological and behavioral factors affect human health, and interact with surrounding economic and environmental conditions; and
- Understand the role of behavioral theory, research, and clinical practice in the promotion and maintenance of physical health and well-being.

Requirements of the Major:

A. Pre-requisite Courses:

PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology

B. General Core (5 courses):

PHLT 101 Introduction to Public Health I

PHLT 102 Introduction to Public Health II
Prerequisites: PH 101

PHLT 103 Concepts of Epidemiology

STAT 212 Appl. Statistics I (STAT 212) or

PHIL 228 Public Health Ethics (228) or
(PHIL 228W) or Ethical Decisions in Medicine (225)
PHIL 225 *Prerequisites:* 1 in PHL or permission of instructor

C. Specific Core Requirements (3 courses):

ANTH 216 or PHLT 215W	Medical Anthropology (ANTH 216) or Public Health Anthropology (PHLT 215) <i>Prerequisite ANT 216:</i> 1 in ANTH <i>Prerequisite PH 215:</i> ANTH 101 or PHLT 101
PHLT 116	Introduction to the U.S. Health System
PSYC 283	Behavioral Medicine <i>Prerequisite:</i> PSYC 101

D. Electives (4 courses required)

BCSC 246	Biology of Mental Disorders <i>Prerequisite:</i> BCSC 240 (NSCI 201)
CASC 394C	European Health Sciences Internship
CLST 208	Healing in Antiquity
GSWS 206	The Global Politics of Gender and Health
GSWS 213	Politics of Nature
GSWS 232	Body and Sexuality
HIST 203/ HIST 203W	Childhood, Health and the Formation of US Social Policy
HIST 303W	International Human Rights
HIST 359W	Birth in the Nation: A History of Reproduction
HIST 373W	American Health Policy and Politics
HIST 383W	Disease and Society from Antiquity to the Present Capped at 18 students
INTR 205	Global Sustainable Development: Policy and Practice
INTR 237	Gender and Development

MHB 220	Stories in Healthcare: Clinicians, Patients, and Narrative Medicine <i>*Open to juniors and seniors</i>
PHLT 216	Peer Health Advocacy Valid until spring 2022
MUR 236	Music, Ethnography, and HIV/AIDS <i>*Instructor permission required</i> <u>Prerequisites:</u> Student should describe interest in music study, ethnography, HIV/AIDS, and completed music, anthropology, public health, African studies, gender studies, or other related coursework
PHLT 234W	Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health (MCH): Policy and Advocacy <i>* Juniors and seniors only</i> <u>Prerequisites:</u> PHLT 116, PHLT 236, or PHLT 230 or permission of instructor
PHLT 236 or PHLT 230	Health Care and the Law (PHLT 236) Public Health Law (PHLT 230) <u>Prerequisites:</u> PHLT 116
PHLT 265W	Global Health <u>Prerequisites:</u> ANTH 101 or PHLT 101
PHLT 394A	Peer Health Advocacy Internship* <i>*In order to have PHLT 394 count as a HBS elective course, students must complete a total of 4 credit hours of PHLT 394A</i> Valid until fall 2022
PHLT 394C	Washington Semester Internship <i>*Special application required</i> PERMISSION OF HBS FACULTY ADVISER REQUIRED
PHLT 394D	Health Department Internship <u>Prerequisites:</u> PHLT 101, PHLT 102, PHLT 103 Open to juniors, seniors, Take 5 & e5 PH majors <i>*Special application required</i> PERMISSION OF HBS FACULTY ADVISER REQUIRED
PHLT 397W	Community Engagement Internship <u>Prerequisites:</u> PHLT 101; PHLT 102; PHLT 103 Open to juniors, seniors, Take 5 & e5 PH majors
PSCI 255	Poverty and Development

PSYC 209	Psychology of Human Sexuality <i>Prerequisite:</i> PSYC 101
PSYC 230	Psychology of Well-Being *Instructor permission required <i>Prerequisite:</i> PSYC 101
PSYC 262	Human Motivation <i>Prerequisites:</i> PSYC 161 or PSYC 181
RELC 183	Incarceration Nation
WRTG 266	Words Have Power: Writing for Social Change <i>Prerequisites:</i> Completion of Primary Writing Requirement

Students may use up to 2 PHLT internship courses towards their public health major.

E. Upper-Level Writing Requirement:
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Students will be required to register for two upper-level writing courses within this major. The courses designated with (W) have writing requires that would satisfy the Rochester Curriculum's upper-level writing requirement. Students would register for the "W" section. The registration rules for new or existing College courses are determined by their respective home departments.

Honors Program:

Students will be invited by the Public Health-Related Programs to apply to the research honors program. Invitations are based on a 3.60 grade-point average in the five Public Health-related Common Core Courses (all five courses need to have been completed by the end of junior year) and on progress toward finishing requirements for the major. Students who receive an invitation will need to formally apply to Public Health-Related Programs to enroll in the honors program.

To graduate with honors in health, behavior, and society, students must complete the major; complete the at least one advanced course designated with (H)]; complete ten credits hours over and above the credits required for the major (students must successfully complete 3 credit hours of PHLT 389 'Public Health Honors Seminar.' Students must also successfully complete 7 credit hours of PHLT 393 'Public Health Honors Research' with an approved faculty advisor); have a cumulative grade-point average of at least a 3.60 in the major; and complete a distinguished research paper under the direction of a faculty advisor. The thesis must be of at least A- quality. Students will not receive honors for a thesis that does not meet this minimum standard.

Distinction Program:

This major will offer a distinction program in which the terms "distinction", "high distinction", and "highest distinction" will reflect the quality of performance in the major. A GPA of at least 3.40 will qualify for "distinction," a GPA of at least 3.60 will qualify for "high distinction"; and a GPA of at least 3.80 will qualify for "highest distinction."

For Double Majors:

Due to the interdisciplinary nature of the Public Health-Related programs, *no more than two* courses may overlap between a public health major and another major. Pre-requisite courses and the introductory STAT course (STAT 212) are not included in the overlap.

Note: Students may choose to major, or to minor, or to complete a cluster within the Public Health-Related program, but they cannot do more than one.

Transfer Credit:

Students are permitted (with the approval of their public health faculty advisor) to use *up to two* transfer courses towards their public health program.