

Advising Information for Health and Society Students, November 2019

What is Health and Society?

Health and Society (HSOC) is an interdisciplinary cross-college program at the University of Vermont (UVM) offering a B.A. and a minor that brings together an array of social science approaches to address critical questions concerning health, healing, and health care in human populations. Program faculty and students examine the many ways in which human health, healing, and health care are defined, perceived, and enacted, and in which access to health and health care are distributed, within and across populations. Launched in 2018 and housed in the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS), the program draws on faculty and courses from all colleges at UVM. We currently have 77 majors and 40 minors.

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HSOC Program Information:

Website: <https://www.uvm.edu/cas/healthsociety>

Listserv: HealthAndSociety@list.uvm.edu

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/UVM-Health-and-Society-100507884710518/>

Related Opportunities: Internships, volunteering, clubs, study abroad, scholarships, graduate study, and jobs:

<https://www.uvm.edu/cas/anthropology/global-health-concentration-resources>

Information on Related Career Paths: <https://www.uvm.edu/cas/healthsociety/advising>

Major Requirements for Health and Society:

(Declare Major Here: <https://www.uvm.edu/registrar/forms-students>)

<http://catalogue.uvm.edu/undergraduate/artsandsciences/healthandsociety/healthandsocietyba/>

Three 00-Level Required Core Courses (9 credits):

HSCI 021: Intro to Public Health and ANTH 089/HSOC 089: Global Health, Development, and Diversity, and SOC 054/HSOC 054: Health Care in America.

One 100-Level Required Methods Course (3 credits):

SOC 100 or STAT 111 or STAT 141.

Two 100-Level Core Course Options from These (6 credits):

ANTH 174/SOC 155: Culture, Health and Healing, EDHE 146: Personal Health, ENVS/HLTH/NR 107: Human Health and Environment, ENVS 181: Environmental Justice, ANTH 173/HSOC 103/HSCI 103: Foundations of Global Health, HLTH 105: Cultural Health Care, HLTH 155: Racism and Health Disparities, HSCI 102: Epidemics, NFS 114/FS 103: Human Health in the Food System, SOC 157: Population Health Research

Two 200-Level Core Course Options from These (6 credits):

Topics Courses: ANTH/BIOL 241: Human Diversity and Evolution, ANTH 288: Anthropological Research in Global Health, CSD/EDSP 274: Culture of Disability, NFS 244: Nutrition in Health and Disease Prevention, PSYS/CRES 276: Cross-Cultural Psychology, PSYS 279: Health Psychology, SOC 223/GSW 250: Sociology of Reproduction, SOC 224: Health Care and Aging, SOC

254: Sociology of Health and Medicine

Methods Courses (one recommended): ANTH/BIOL 242: Research Methods in Human Diversity, ANTH 288: Anth Research in Global Health, ANTH 290: Ethnographic Methods, CDAE 250: Applied Research Methods, EDFS 209: Intro to Research Methods, GEOG 202: Research Methods, GEOG 287: Spatial Analysis, HLTH 250: Community Participatory Research, POLS 230: Vermont Legislative Research, SOC 274: Qualitative Research Methods, SOC 275: Methods of Data Analysis in Social Research, STAT/BIOS 200: Epidemiology/Biostatistics.

Nine additional credits drawn from the list of HSOC courses posted each semester, at least 3 credits of which must be taken at the 100-level or above.*

**May include any of the courses listed above that not already counted toward your degree and/or any courses listed as HSOC electives. For interdisciplinary exposure, no more than 21 credits can come from any one discipline.*

Majors also need to meet the CAS hour rule of 96 credits in CAS courses out of the 120 total credits required to graduate. (Note: a change to a requirement of 84 credits in CAS courses for this cross-college major is currently under consideration, with the outcome to be announced in spring 2020 posted).

Minor Requirements for Health and Society:

(Declare Minor Here: <https://www.uvm.edu/registrar/forms-students>)

<http://catalogue.uvm.edu/undergraduate/artsandsciences/healthandsociety/healthandsocietyminor/>

One 00-Level Required Core Course (3 credits): HSCI 021: Introduction to Public Health.

Two 00-Level Core Course Options from These (3 credits): ANTH 089/HSOC 089: Global Health, Development, and Diversity or SOC 054/HSOC 054: Health Care in America.

One 100-Level Required Methods Course (3 credits): SOC 100 or STAT 111 or STAT 141.

Nine additional credits in HSOC courses, including six of those at the 100-level or above.*

**This may include the other 00-level core course option not yet taken to satisfy the above or any other courses listed by the HSOC program as counting as HSOC core course options or HSOC electives.*

Remember: No more than one course may count toward both your major and minor or toward both majors in a double major or toward both minors in a double minor.

Accelerated MPH Program at UVM

UVM undergraduates meeting eligibility criteria are invited to apply for the Accelerated Masters of Public Health program at UVM. Student apply in their junior year, take some MPH courses during their senior year, and complete a year of additional coursework to earn an MPH in one year after their BA.

For eligibility and application information, see <https://learn.uvm.edu/program/public-health-at-uvm/accelerated-master-of-public-health/>. Contacts are Jan Carney (Jan.Carney@med.uvm.edu) and Victoria Hart (victoria.hart@med.uvm.edu).