Public health as a field of study is highly varied and encompasses many academic disciplines – therefore careers in public health have something to offer to everyone. The Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health states that "*public health improves the shared conditions and behaviors that affect the health of each and every one of us*." The combined efforts of public health professionals make our world a safer place in which individuals live, work, and thrive.

Program Overview

The minor in Public Health introduces students to the core content and functions of the field of Public Health. Students may select from a variety of elective courses to build a program that enhances the student's major area of study and matches the student's personal interests in the health field.

Students selecting the minor in Public Health may choose courses that fulfill University Core Curriculum (UCC) requirements in the following areas:

➢ Diversity and Social Justice (Area 4)
➢ Community and Civic Engagement (Area 5)
➢ Global Awareness (Area 6)
➢ Writing Intensive

As Public Health in multidisciplinary by nature, the minor in Public Health is well-suited for students from a wide variety of majors.

Why Minor in Public Health?

The minor in Public Health is a good choice for students who:

✓ Want broad exposure to an exciting and growing field of study relevant to a wide array of work settings and careers.

✓ Want to explore population-based health issues related to their major area of study.

✓ Are considering graduate studies in a health-related or human services-related field.

Minor in Public Health

Core Courses: 6 Credits

(both of the following courses)		CR	UCC
PBHL 3000	Introduction to Public Health	3	-
PBHL 4000	Epidemiology	3	-

Additional Core Courses: 6-12 credits

(select at least two of the following courses)		CR	UCC
PBHL 2950	Disparities in Health	3	A4
PBHL 3020	Health Care in the US	3	-
PBHL 3110	Global Health Issues	3	A6
PBHL 3400	Environmental Health	3	-

Elective Courses: 0-6 Credits

(select up to two of the following courses)		CR	UCC
PBHL 2700	Concepts and Issues of Aging	3	-
PBHL 3120	Ethics in Public Health	3	-
PBHL 3130	Violence as a PH Issue	3	-
PBHL 3140	Reproductive Rights	3	A5
PBHL 3150	Food and Community	3	A5
PBHL 3170	Popular Lit in Public Health	3	WI
PBHL 3180	Tobacco as a PH Issue	3	A5
PBHL 3220	Food and Social Issues	3	-
PBHL 4500	Health Administration	3	-
PBHL 4950	Cultural Dimensions of Health	3	WI

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More Information

Admissions requirements: To be admitted to the minor in Public Health, students must take and pass with the grade of C or better PBHL 3000: Introduction to Public Health.

How to declare the minor: To declare the minor in Public Health, students must make a request using WPConnect → Students → Academic Services → Request to Add / Declare or Change Minor.

Additional questions: If you have questions about the Public Health minor, please contact the Department of Public Health at 973-720-2394.