

Health Humanities and the Medical Arts Minor

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The minor in Health Humanities and the Medical Arts is founded on the understanding that medicine, and health care more broadly, aims to restore and promote flourishing and well-being of the whole human person. The humanities and the social sciences offer unique opportunities to explore the meaning of health and illness that provide valuable knowledge and insight for future healthcare professionals and caregivers. Moreover, research shows significant and high rates of correlation between the study of health humanities and the provision of excellent healthcare as well as high levels of sustained professional satisfaction.

The minor is designed to focus on knowledge acquisition as well as cognitive and interpersonal skills development aimed at supporting the goals of whole person-centered healthcare. Skills based learning includes a focus on critical thinking, effective communication, empathetic imagination, and compassionate care. The minor in Health Humanities and the Medical Arts is available to all students in the University and is particularly valuable for those students planning to pursue graduate studies or employment in the medical field or the healthcare industry more broadly.

Type: Minor

Minor: Health Humanities and the Medical Arts (15 credits)

The Health Humanities and the Medical Arts Minor consists of 15 credits and 5 courses. Students also have the optional opportunity for independent study with a faculty member and clinical affiliate of the program.

Program Notes:

- Courses that fulfill minor requirements may be used to fulfill other requirements (i.e., primary major, core curriculum, minors, concentrations, or free electives).

Course	Title	Credits
HHMA 2050	Intro to Health Humanities	3
PHI 2115	Ethics for Health Care Prof	3
	HHMA Electives	9

Category Descriptions

HHMA Electives

Credits: 9

Select three courses from the list below, or any 3 credit course with the HHMA attribute.

- Students are encouraged to work with the HHMA program director on course selection to ensure a breadth of experience across disciplines.
- NOTE: HIS 1065 is a topics course, and may only count toward fulfilling the elective if the student takes the 'History of Disease' section.

Course	Title	Credits
CLA 2021	Language of Science & Medicine	3
COM 3405	Health Communication	3
ENG 3507	StrangeCases:ImagHealth&Illnes	3
HHMA 3200	Special Topics	3
HHMA 4000	Independent Study	3
HIS 1065	Topics Nature, Environ & Tech	3
HIS 2274	History of American Medicine	3
PHI 2117	The Good Doctor	3
PHI 4125	Bioethics	3
PSC 3260	Global Pandemics Politics	3
SOC 3400	Health, Medicine & Society	3
SOC 3450	Soc of Mental Health & Illness	3
THL 3450	Pastoral Care of the Sick	3
THL 4480	Introduction Biomedical Ethics	3