

HEALTH GEOGRAPHY MINOR CONCENTRATION (B.A.) (18 CREDITS)

Offered by: Geography (Faculty of Science)

Degree: Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Arts and Science

Program credit weight: 18

Program Description

There is increasing consensus around the idea that health is not just an expression of individual characteristics but an interaction between the characteristics of the individual and the environments, both physical and social, to which one is exposed over a lifetime of daily living and working. Health outcomes vary dramatically by physical and social characteristics of places both within and between countries and these provide a wedge for our understanding of the factors that might be modified to improve the health of large groups of people. The B.A.; Minor Concentration in Health Geography introduces students to both local and global health issues and provides a skill set in spatial and statistical analyses of diverse health outcomes in populations.

Note: For information about Fall 2025 and Winter 2026 course offerings, please check back on May 8, 2025. Until then, the "Terms offered" field will appear blank for most courses while the class schedule is being finalized.

Required Courses (12 credits)

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| Course | Title | Credits |
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| GEOG 201 | Introductory Geo-Information Science. | 3 |
| GEOG 221 | Environment and Health. | 3 |
| GEOG 303 | Health Geography. | 3 |
| GEOG 403 | Global Health and Environmental Change. | 3 |

Complementary Courses (6 credits)

3 credits from:

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| Course | Title | Credits |
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| ENVR 200 | The Global Environment. | 3 |
| ENVR 201 | Society, Environment and Sustainability. | 3 |
| GEOG 203 | Environmental Systems. | 3 |
| GEOG 210 | Global Places and Peoples. | 3 |
| GEOG 217 | Cities in the Modern World. | 3 |

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| Course | Title | Credits |
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| GEOG 503 | Advanced Topics in Health Geography. ¹ | 3 |
| PPHS 501 | Population Health and Epidemiology. ¹ | 3 |
| PPHS 511 | Fundamentals of Global Health. | 3 |
| PPHS 525 | Health Care Systems in Comparative Perspective. | 3 |
| PPHS 529 | Global Environmental Health and Burden of Disease. | 3 |
| SOCI 309 | Health and Illness. ¹ | 3 |
| SOCI 365 | Health and Development. ¹ | 3 |
| SOCI 525 | Health Care Systems in Comparative Perspective. ^{1,2} | 3 |

- ¹ These courses may have additional prerequisites or restrictions.
² Students can take PPHS 525 Health Care Systems in Comparative Perspective. OR SOCI 525 Health Care Systems in Comparative Perspective.