MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY MINOR

The medical anthropology minor develops an understanding of health from the perspective of human cultural and biological diversity. Students learn to use cross-cultural perspectives with highly contextualized data to study health trajectories, preparing them for careers in global health. Using ethnographic research methods, medical anthropology investigates the ways that political, social and environmental factors shape health, illness and disease.

Available to all non-anthropology majors, courses in our minor are part of the Carolina Core and may fulfill cultural competency requirements that pre-med students will need for the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT). The methodological training and field work experience that students gain in our minor are easily transferable to careers in community engagement, law, health policy, environmental justice, social work and many other public and global health professions.