

# MEDICAL HUMANITIES AND CULTURE MINOR

The medical humanities and culture minor prepares students to become well-rounded practitioners with holistic perspectives on medicine. Through a range of courses in the humanities and social sciences, students explore the ethical, social, representational and historical dimensions of disease, health, disability and health care. Courses include the philosophy and art of medicine, the social and cultural aspects of health and well-being, the sociology/anthropology of health care and health care systems, the intersectionality of disparities and equities in health, and the social construction and deconstruction of health. The minor may especially complement majors in Biological Sciences, Chemistry and Biochemistry, Public Health, and Psychology among others as well as provide practical experience toward a career in medicine, nursing, public health, global health, health policy, health promotion, law, journalism, psychology or patient advocacy.

## Minor Requirements

The minor in Medical Humanities and Culture consists of 18 credit hours or 6 classes.

- **Two-four courses (6-12 credit hours)** must be chosen from offerings in the humanities (Group A); if two humanities courses (6 hours) are chosen, then 12 hours must be chosen from the social sciences, so that the student takes the requisite 18 hours total.
- **Two-four courses (6-12 credit hours)** must be chosen from offerings in the social sciences (Group B); if two social sciences courses (6 hours) are chosen, then four courses (12 hours) must be chosen in the humanities, so that the student takes the requisite 18 hours total.

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Group A: Humanities</b>		
Select two-four of the following:		6-12
ARTH 333	Art, Anatomy, and Medicine, 1700-Present	
ARTS 232	Figure Structure I	
ARTH 524	Topics in Renaissance Art	
CLAS 230	Medical and Scientific Terminology	
CLAS 360	Classical Origins of Western Medical Ethics	
ENGL 341	Literature and Medicine	
HIST 382	History of Medicine: Antiquity to the Scientific Revolution	
HIST 393	Making Modern Science: The Life Sciences	
HIST 451	The History of American Medicine	
HIST 452	The History of Science in America	
JOUR 507	Health Communication: The Science and Practice	
PHIL 312	Classical Origins of Western Medical Ethics	
PHIL 321	Medical Ethics	
PHIL 323	Ethics of Science and Technology	
PHIL 360	History and Philosophy of Science	
PHIL 512	Philosophy of Science	
PHIL 550	Health Care Ethics	
PHIL 598	Readings in Philosophy	
RELG 473	Religions, Medicines, and Healing	
SPAN 360	Spanish for Healthcare Professionals	

THEA 554	Performing Arts Safety
<b>Group B: Social Sciences</b>	
Select two-four of the following:	
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ANTH 204	Plagues Past and Present
ANTH 212	Food and Culture
ANTH 208	Anthropology of Globalization and Development
ANTH 221	Forensics of Sherlock Holmes
ANTH 262	Basic Forensic Anthropology
ANTH 263	Medical Experimentation and the Black Body
ANTH 292	Disease, Health, and Social Inequities
ANTH 366	Medicine, Disease, and Slavery
ANTH 392	Global Women's Health
ANTH 388	Cultures, Pregnancy, and Birth
ANTH 551	Medical Anthropology: Fieldwork
ANTH 552	Medical Anthropology
ANTH 565	Health and Disease in the Past
CRJU 426	Criminal Justice and Mental Health
HPEB 470	Principles of Global Health
HPEB 471	Social Determinants of Health
ECON 531	Health Economics
ENHS 324	Environment and Obesity
ENHS 660	Concepts of Environmental Health Science
HPEB 511	Health Promotion in a Changing Society
HPEB 512	Southern Discomfort: Public Health in the American South
HPEB 513	Race, Ethnicity, and Health: Examining Health Inequalities
HPEB 547	Consumer Health in Contemporary Society
HPEB 551	Medical Anthropology: Field Work
HPEB 552	Medical Anthropology
HPEB 621	Maternal and Child Health
HSPM 412	Health Economics
PSYC 465	Health Psychology
PSYC 503	Psychology of Drug Use and Effects
SOCY 310	Social Demography
SOCY 315	Global Population Issues
SOCY 360	Sociology of Medicine and Health
SOCY 510	Life Course Demographics
WGST 113	Women's Health
WGST 388	Cultures, Pregnancy, and Birth
WGST 392	Global Women's Health
WGST 621	Maternal and Child Health

**Total Credit Hours** 12-24

Note: Departmental or Honors College special topics courses related to medicine may satisfy the minor requirements in either the humanities (Group A) or social sciences (Group B), provided that the course substitutions are pre-approved by the Office of Undergraduate Studies in Flinn Hall in consultation with faculty content experts. Email a syllabus along with a request for substitution and any other relevant details to [CASundergrad@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:CASundergrad@mailbox.sc.edu) ([casundergrad@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:casundergrad@mailbox.sc.edu)) for pre-approval. Appeals to register in pre-approved honors college courses should be directed to the Honors College.