GLOBAL HEALTH STUDIES

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GLOBAL HEALTH STUDIES MULTIDISCIPLINARY ACADEMIC PROGRAM

The Global Health Studies program provides interdisciplinary global health coursework for undergraduates at Yale, offering a program of study that draws upon the natural sciences, social sciences, and the humanities. The program challenges students to critically engage with the multifaceted dilemmas of contemporary global health, examining the roles of politics, history, and economics, as well as anthropology, ethics, law, and sociology, in conversation with public health and the medical sciences. Students choose a major in another department or program and expand their education with courses offered by Global Health Studies.

Students who apply to the program, typically in the fall of their sophomore year, become Global Health Scholars. They complete interdisciplinary coursework across six global health competency areas: Biological & Environmental Influences on Health; Health & Societies; Historical Approaches; Performance, Representation & Health; Political Economy & Governance in Health; Understanding & Interpreting Quantitative Data. Moreover, in the summer after junior year, Scholars can apply for funding support to pursue mentored experiential learning projects (such as internships, archival work, or field-based research). During their senior year, they enroll in a colloquium course which meaningfully integrates the skills and knowledge acquired throughout the program.

Qualified undergraduates may take graduate courses at the School of Public Health, subject to restrictions on graduate and professional school enrollment described in Academic Regulations, section K, Special Arrangements. Further information about these courses can be found in the School of Public Health online bulletin. For information about the five-year B.A.–B.S./M.P.H. program offered jointly with the School of Public Health, see Public Health.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROGRAM

Prerequisite: None

Number of courses: 6 courses (incl senior req)

Specific course required: HLTH 230

Distribution of courses: 4 electives to achieve the six global health competencies as indicated

Senior requirement: HLTH 490, Senior colloquium

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