Culture, Society, and Health Minor

The Culture, Society and Health Minor offers students the conceptual and applied tools to understand the social and cultural contexts in which systems of health care, illness, and healing are embedded as well as to see health care, illness and healing as socio-cultural constructs. This minor introduces students to methods of anthropological and sociological research that allows them to ask questions, to manage and analyze databases, to do health care-related research, to identify best practices, and to write grants. Finally this minor will enhance students’ abilities to serve and understand health care needs of socially and culturally diverse patient populations and to appreciate the contributions of all levels of health care providers and support staff collaborating to achieve successful patient and organizational outcomes.

Course Requirements for Minor - At least 3 courses of the eight required should be from Anthropology and 3 from Sociology; there is one required course in Philosophy (24 semester hours)

Core Courses (9 credit hours)

- ANT 321 Medical Anthropology or SOC 450 Medical Sociology
- SOC 371 Environment, Society, and Public Health or ANT 322 Health and Disease in Past Societies
- PHI 210 Information Ethics or PHI 220 Health Care Ethics

Ways of Knowing (6 credit hours)

- SOC 320 Social Research or ANT 342 Quantitative Methods in Anthropology
- ANT 340 Ethnographic Methods or SOC 322 Qualitative Research Methods
- ANT 325 Applied Anthropology or SOC 370 Sociology of Surveillance

Health in Social and Cultural Contexts (9 credit hours)

- ANT 330 Women, Gender, and Culture
- ANT 365 Ethnographic Field School in Belize (study abroad)
- ANT 375 Anthropology of Aging
- ANT 394 Topics in Anthropology (if related to race, aging, gender, or other special populations, by approval only)
- SOC 300 Race and Ethnic Relations
- SOC 301 World Patterns of Race and Ethnicity
- SOC 342 Sociology of Aging
- SOC 480 Global Aging Issues and Policies
- SOC 394 Topics in Sociology (if related to race, aging, gender, or other special populations, by approval only)

For 2-year rotation of anthropology course offerings, see: https://goo.gl/TgW2Ef