

The Health, Medicine, and Society Major

The HMS major is a 32-credit Bachelor of Arts program. To complete the major, students take breadth core courses, courses in a depth concentration, and additional electives as follows.

Foundational Core Courses (12 credits)

Students choose one course from each of the three core categories.

Core course in Health Humanities	Choose 1	HMS 116: Bioethics
		HMS 170: Medical Humanities
Core course in Social Science Approaches to Health	Choose 1	HMS 130: Introduction to Health Psychology
		HMS 160: Medicine and Society
		HMS 180: Introduction to Public Health
Core course in Research Methods in Health	Choose 1	HMS 120: Ethics & Values of Community-Engaged Research
		HMS 349: Participatory Action Research
		HMS 375: Community-Based Participatory Research

Depth Concentration (12 credits)

Students choose one of the following concentrations.

Health Humanities	or	Social Science Approaches to Health
Students choosing a <i>Health Humanities</i> concentration take 12 credits of HMS courses that have a Humanities (HU) designation. Possible courses that fit this concentration are found in departments such as English, Religion Studies, Philosophy, and History.		Students choosing a <i>Social Science</i> concentration take 12 credits of HMS courses that have a Social Science (SS) designation. Possible courses that fit this concentration are found in departments such as Psychology, Sociology/Anthropology, Journalism, and Economics.

Additional HMS Coursework (8 credits)

Students take 4 credits of HMS coursework that has an attribution (HU, SS, or NS) that does not match their concentration. For example, a student doing the *Health Humanities* concentration must take 4 HMS credits that have either a SS or a NS (Natural Science) designation.

Students take 4 more credits of HMS coursework in any designation.

Additional Requirements for Completing the HMS Major

- The HMS major requires students to declare a second major outside of HMS. The second major can be from any department or program at Lehigh.
- No more than 2 courses in the Depth Concentration and Additional HMS Coursework can be cross-listed with the home department/program of a student's second major.
- At least 3 courses in the Depth Concentration and Additional HMS Coursework must be taken at the 300-level.
- There is no sequencing in the HMS major, meaning students can take the needed coursework in any order.

The Health, Medicine, and Society Minor

The HMS minor is a 16-credit minor program. To complete the minor, students take 1 core course, and 12 credits of additional HMS coursework as follows.

Core Course (4 credits) <i>Choose one course from the following list.</i>
HMS 116: Bioethics
HMS 130: Introduction to Health Psychology
HMS 160: Medicine and Society
HMS 170: Medical Humanities
HMS 180: Introduction to Public Health

and

Additional HMS Coursework (12 credits)
Students take 12 credits of additional HMS courses. These courses can come from any HMS listed course, including additional core courses. See list below for possible courses.

Health, Medicine, and Society Courses

The following is a list of representative courses taught recently in the HMS program.

Social Science Designated Courses

HMS/POLS/ES 110: Environmental Planning for Healthy Cities
HMS/JOUR/ES 117: Environmental Health Risks & the Media
HMS/SOAN 120: Values & Ethics of Community-Engaged Research
HMS/PSYC 130: Introduction to Health Psychology
HMS/PSYC 138: Abnormal Psychology
HMS/SOC 160: Medicine & Society
HMS/SOC 162: AIDS & Society
HMS 180: Introduction to Public Health
HMS/COMM 197: Health Communication
HMS/PSYC 302: Stress & Coping
HMS/ES 306: Food Justice in Urban Environments
HMS/POLS 307: The Politics of Mental Health Policy
HMS/AAS/GS/SOC 314: Infections & Inequalities
HMS/SOC 316: Social Epidemiology
HMS/PSYC 319: The Psychology of Trauma
HMS/SOC/GS 322: Global Health Issues
HMS/JOUR/STS/ES 323: Health & Environmental Controversies
HMS/PSYC/WGSS 334: Psychology of Body Image & Eating Disorders
HMS/SOC/WGSS 341: Women & Health
HMS/SOC 343: Race, Ethnicity, & Health
HMS/PSYC 344: Health Care Reasoning & Decision-Making
HMS/PSYC 348: Drugs & Behavior
HMS/PSYC 349: Participatory Action Research
HMS/POLS 354: U.S. Health Care Politics
HMS/EDUC 375: Community-Based Participatory Research Methodology

HMS/PSYC 386: Child & Adolescent Health Psychology
ECO 368: Health Economics
HMS 395: Food, Nutrition, and Public Health
HMS/CPSY 396: Integrated Behavioral and Mental Health in Primary Care

Humanities Designated Courses

HMS/REL 002: Death & Dying: Religious & Ethical Perspectives
HMS/ENGL 115: Topics in Literature, Medicine & Health
HMS/PHIL/REL 116: Bioethics
HMS/STS/HIST 118: History of Modern Medicine
HMS 170: Medical Humanities
HMS/PHIL/REL 195: Bioethics and the Law
HMS/REL 195: Judaism, Medicine, & Bioethics
HMS/REL 195: Public Health Ethics
HMS/AAS/GS/HIST: Keeping Africa and Africans Healthy: A History of Illness and Wellness
HMS/REL 226: From Black Death to AIDS
HMS/ENGL 315: Topics in Literature, Medicine & Health

Natural Science Designated Courses

BIOS 010/090: Bioscience in the 21st Century
EES 029: Human Health and the Environment
HMS/SDEV 123: Oceans & Human Health

Additional Courses

HMS 221: Peer Health Adviser Training
HMS 291: Independent Study
HMS 292: Supervised Research
HMS 293: Internship

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