Pre-Health Social Sciences Minor Course List

To keep pace with changes in our evolving medical care systems, as well as recently announced changes in the content of the MCAT, the Department of Psychology (in collaboration with the Departments of Sociology and Anthropology) sponsored a special minor for pre-health majors. The courses selected for this minor should provide students with a foundation for understanding how psychological, social, and biological factors influence health and well-being. These courses should also provide students with a basic understanding of concepts covered in the new section of the MCAT ("Psychological, Social, and Biological Foundations of Behavior"), and will help prepare students to be successful in careers across the healthcare industry.

The Pre-Health Social Sciences minor comprises a set of 5 foundation classes, as well as 2 upperdivision seminars from a select list of options.

1. Required Courses:

15 hours

PSY 1113: Elements of Psychology

SOC 1113: Introduction to Sociology

PSY 2003: Understanding Statistics; or PSY 2113 Res. Methods I: Statistics;

or SOC 3123: Social Statistics

PSY 3703: Social Psychology

PSY 3203: Cognitive Psychology

2. At least 1 of the following:

3 hours

PSY 4113: Skeptical Thinking in the Social Sciences

PSY 4113: Theories and Measures of the Self*

PSY 4733: Happiness*

PSY 4453: Abnormal Psychology

PSY 4733: Stereotypes and Prejudice

PSY 4793: Psychology of Groups

PSY 4613: Current Topics in Developmental Psychology

3. At least 1 of the following:

3 hours

SOC 3643: Population and Society

SOC 3683: Wealth, Power, and Prestige

SOC 3713: Medical Sociology

SOC 3723: Sociology of the Family

SOC 3813: Individual and Society

SOC 3843: Sociology of Aging

SOC 3873: Religion and Society

ANTH 4593: Anthropology of Human Reproduction

ANTH 4823: Medical Anthropology

Total: 21 hours

^{*}These courses require 3114 as a pre-requisite