

Health Communication, Minor

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The health communication minor prepares students to solve important problems in healthcare by applying theories, concepts and methods from the communication arts and sciences. The program takes an innovative approach to health communication—bringing together the science of social influence with the science of human centered design. It equips students with the skills to better solve problems and serve patients and customers. Students bring real-world experience to discussions about the role of communication in national and global health issues. They gain theoretical and practical knowledge of public advocacy and the critical capacity to evaluate face-to-face and mediated health information. Ultimately, the minor offers students new insight for a competitive edge for any health-related career.

Health Communication Minor

Students are required to complete 18 credits to complete the Health Communication minor.

Code	Title	Hours
Required courses:		6
CMST 3120 or CMST 3200 or CMST 3300	Interpersonal Communication Organizational Communication Persuasion	
CMST 4500	Health Communication	
Choose two of the following:		6
CMST 4520	Health Communication Campaigns	
CMST 4530	Patient-Centered Communication	
CMST 4570	Cultural Diversity in Communicating Health and Wellness	
Electives - Choose two of the following:		6
ENGL 3222	Writing for Health and Medicine	
HEAL 1200	Women's Health	
HEAL 1400	Veteran Health and Culture	
HEAL 2100	Introduction to Global Health	
MLSC 2060	Public Health	
POSC 4381 or BISC 4381	Politics of U.S. Health Care Politics of U.S. Health Care	
SOCI 3500	Culture, Health and Illness	
SOCI 3550	Race, Gender and Medicine	
SOCI 3570	Men, Masculinities and Health	
SPAN 3710	Intermediate Spanish for Health Care	
SPAN 4715	Advanced Spanish for Health Care	
THEO 3460	Theology and Global Health	
THEO 4450	Medical Ethics	
Total Credit Hours:		18

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