CAREER MINORS

Programs Offered

Career Minor in Arts Management
Career Minor in Health Systems Organizations
Career Minor in Women’s Health

The career minors program allows students from a variety of majors to pursue a coherent sequence of courses in order to acquire insight into the ways the undergraduate degree may be applied in particular careers. Each career minor culminates in an internship giving the student practical experience in the field.

Information about a career minor may be obtained from the faculty advisor. Students interested in pursuing a career minor should plan well in advance in order to integrate the coursework into their plan of study.

Career Minor in Museum and Gallery Methods

The career minor in museum and gallery methods provides students of the visual arts with education, training, and hands-on experience in the theory and practice of non-profit museums and galleries. Art history and art studio majors completing this career minor will be in much stronger positions to find work and prepare for graduate study in fields closely related to their majors. The career minor in museum and gallery methods may also be combined with any other major, provided the student also completes at least a minor in art history or art studio.

Internships are available in the University Art Gallery and at local regional galleries, museums, and other related nonprofit organizations.

Program Advisor
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Requirements for the Career Minor in Museum and Gallery Methods

To earn the career minor in museum and gallery methods, students must complete the following 21 units:

ARTS 210 Introduction to Digital Imaging 2
ARTH 466 Contemporary Art 3
ARTH 467 Museum Collections Management 3
ARTH 468 Curatorial Practice 3
ARTH 493 Museum and Gallery Management 3
ARTH 494 Museum Theory and Practice 3
ARTH 499 Internship 4
Business, computer, or other related courses to be determined by the program advisor 3

Total units in the minor 21

Students in the arts management career minor must also complete at least a minor in either art history or art studio.

Career Minor in Health Systems Organizations

The health systems organizations career minor is an interdisciplinary program that provides students with an opportunity to focus on either of two significant dimensions of health care: technical and managerial problems, or preparation for direct service. The minor outlines a course of study within a liberal arts framework that provides each student with a basic understanding of: 1) health systems as significant social, cultural, and economic institutions within society; 2) cultural relativity in views of health and illness, and 3) the social and psychological implications for those who are served by health systems.

The supporting courses will be chosen with the assistance of the faculty advisor to prepare the student for specific career objectives. The health systems organizations minor complements a number of traditional majors, such as business administration, nursing, psychology, sociology, AMCS, and political science, in addition to programs in gerontology, women’s studies, and medical anthropology. This career minor will increase the employment opportunities in the health field of students from the above majors and programs. The minor also provides an excellent background for those who plan to obtain graduate professional training in fields such as medicine, social work, and public health.

Program Advisor
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Minor Core Requirements

Courses to be offered are pending; please see advisor for details.

PSY 358 Health Psychology 4
GERN/SOCI 452 Health Care and Illness 4
GERN 499 Internship 4

Total units in the minor core 12

Minor Electives

Students must consult with faculty advisors to select 8 units of related elective course work.

Total units in minor electives 8
Total units in the minor 20

Career Minor in Women’s Health

Women’s health is a large and growing area of research and policy interest in the United States. The curriculum is organized toward care and other settings. The program is highly suitable for those interested, for example, in careers as nurses, physicians, counselors, therapists, public health workers, research analysts, and policy makers.

The career minor in women’s health is designed to provide students with interdisciplinary course work, training, and work experience in the politics, practice, and experience of women’s health.
Career needs of both health care providers and liberal arts and sciences majors are addressed by the program.

Program Advisor
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Minor Core Requirements
WGS 280 Women's Bodies: Health and Image 3
NURS 480 Sexuality, Health, and Society or
WGS 350 Gender, Sexuality and Family 3-4
Practical Application
WGS 499 Internship in Women's Health Setting 4
Prerequisite: senior standing or
NURS 497(Prerequisite: nursing major.
Must choose a setting related to women's health) 3
Total units in the minor core 9-10

Electives
All electives must be health (including mental health) related. When the health course does not explicitly deal with women's health, students are expected to do their term papers and projects on women's health issues and to be prepared to share these course materials with the program coordinator.

Suggested Electives
ANTH 318 Human Development: Sex and Life Cycle 3
BIOL 311 Sexually Transmitted Diseases 3
BIOL 318 Biology of Aging 3
GERN 300 The Journey of Adulthood 3
GERN 319/SOCI 319 Aging and Society 4
KIN 316 Women in Sports: Issues, Images, Identities 3
NURS 303 Maternity & Women's Health Care (NURS only) 6
PSY 454 Biofeedback and Somatic Psychology 4
PSY 358 Health Psychology 3-4
PSY 362 Human Sexuality (Summer) 4
PSY 405 The Psychology of Gender 4
PSY 408/GERN 408 Transitions of Adult Development 4
PSY 454 Biofeedback Somatics & Stress Management 4
SCI 150 Intro to Careers in Health Professions 1
WGS 301 Feminist Lecture Series 1-2
WGS 440/SOCI 440 Sociology of Reproduction 4
Total units in electives 10-11
Total units required in the minor 20