

HEALTHY FUTURES MINOR

College of Human Ecology

Program Website (<https://www.human.cornell.edu/hcd/academics/undergraduate-study/undergraduate-minors/>)

Program Description

The Cornell Institute for Healthy Futures (CIHF) and the Department of Design and Environmental Analysis offers a minor in Healthy Futures open to all undergraduate students. Most of today's healthcare spending is on clinical approaches for diagnosing and treating diseases. However, behavioral, social and environmental factors play a large role in determining overall health. Health and wellness professionals of the future must engage in an interdisciplinary effort to successfully compete and contribute to positive change. This minor provides a high caliber, transdisciplinary education in the fields of health, hospitality, and design. This innovative trans-disciplinary focus — the first of its kind — has the potential to change industry practices and professional attitudes by breaking down the silos that often undermine creative solutions. This minor may be of particular interest to students enrolled in health, wellness, policy, and hospitality related majors, or students interested in applying their education to problem-solving in the population health and wellness space.

Eligibility

Open to all undergraduate students, including Design and Environmental Analysis majors.

Completing the Minor in Healthy Futures

During the semester in which the student plans to graduate, s/he must submit a completed Application to Graduate with a Minor in Healthy Futures. The completed form should be emailed to hf-minor@cornell.edu. After verification by DEA that all requirements for the minor have been completed, the student's college registrar will be notified and the final transcript will indicate that a Minor in Healthy Futures was earned.

Minor Requirements

Earning the minor in Healthy Futures requires a minimum of 17 credits. The minor consists of students taking "DEA 3055 Hospitality, Health and Design Industry Immersion Seminar/HADM 3055 Hospitality, Health and Design Industry Immersion Seminar" (1 credit-hour), 9-credit hours of specific required courses distributed across the three disciplines of design, healthcare administration, and hospitality, 6-credit hour of elective courses, and participating in an internship (1 credit-hour DEA 4020 Supervised Fieldwork). Courses must be completed as letter grade with a grade of B- or better.

Getting Started

Completing the Hospitality, Health, and Design Industry Seminar (DEA 3055 Hospitality, Health and Design Industry Immersion Seminar/HADM 3055 Hospitality, Health and Design Industry Immersion Seminar) is required to declare Intent to minor in Healthy Futures. Submit the Intention to Minor in Healthy Futures form. Students are responsible for planning their minor program of study in conjunction with the advisor in their major. Due to the imperative that students take core courses outside their discipline and the fact that students come from multiple

departments, the requirements change across majors. Thus, careful planning by the student is warranted.

Transfer Credits

Course credits from institutions other than Cornell cannot be counted towards the minor in Healthy Futures.