Health Sciences

The mission of DePaul University's Department of Health Sciences is to educate and train students who will collaboratively address human health from interdisciplinary natural and social scientific perspectives in order to promote health and to improve the lives of individuals and communities.

The Department of Health Sciences offers a BS in Health Sciences, a minor in Public Health Studies, combined degree programs (BS+MA in Health Communications, BS+Master of Public Health, and BS+Master’s Entry to Nursing Practice), and several 3+ Accelerated Programs that combine undergraduate studies at DePaul with graduate health professions studies at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science.

The Health Sciences major offers concentrations in BioScience and Public Health Studies. In addition to General tracks, each concentration offers tracks that help students focus their interests and prepare for future careers. In BioScience students can choose from tracks in Medicine and Pre-nursing; while in Public Health Studies, students can choose tracks in Health Education, Community Health or Health Policy and Administration. This degree:

1. provides students interested in pursuing a career in one of many health-related professions with a common core of knowledge;
2. provides a general track in each concentration but also articulates additional tracks that meet requirements for entry into graduate programs;
3. provides enough flexibility to enable students to move among those tracks as their interests evolve, and
4. brings students headed for multiple health-related professions into on-going cross-disciplinary conversation with each other.

The curriculum is built on the principle that, in order to be effective, professionals working in health need to understand the factors that impact both the health of individuals and the health of populations.

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