

What is Global Health?

"Global health is an area for study, research, and practice that places a priority on improving health and achieving equity in health for all people worldwide. Global health emphasizes people worldwide." (*Lancet* 2009)



"The rise to prominence of the term **“global health”** has occurred in parallel with the popularization of **globalization**, an enhanced awareness of common vulnerabilities, and a feeling of increased shared responsibility for inequities present in the world today.”

(*Macfarlane, Jacobs, & Kaaya, 2008*)

Horizons of Global Health Research Symposium

Horizons of Global Health Research Symposium is the GHP's annual student research conference held in Spring. The event features keynote speakers from leading researchers in Global Health as well as an Undergraduate Thesis Presentations and Poster Session highlighting the results of student research projects and Global Health Field Experiences.

Engaging "mind, hands, and heart" to create a learning outcome that is scientific, pragmatic, and humanistic.



"When I applied to medical school, I was asked about my experience abroad and my research project at almost every interview. I believe they set me apart from other applicants because I had an understanding of a culture and language that is very much alive in California." (GHP Alumni)

Bachelor of Arts in Global Health (BA)

GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRAM

UC San Diego



The Global Health Program's degrees are designed to be intellectually comprehensive, integrating the medical social sciences, biological sciences, medical humanities and global processes...

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Combining academic and experiential learning, striking a balance between acquisition of hard skills, critical thinking, and real-world knowledge.

Global Health is at once an increasingly popular new field of study, an urgent social concern, and a powerful interdisciplinary intellectual synthesis aimed at understanding and productively intervening in processes of health, illness, and healing across the globe.

The Global Health Program covers a wide range of topics, including:

health care, health education, environmental effects on health, infectious disease, mental health, health inequalities, medical sequelae of natural disaster or political violence, indigenous healing practices, nutrition, and reproductive health.

An important feature of the UCSD Global Health Program is the **Global Health Field Experience** at a research, service, or clinical site either in the United States or abroad, which for majors culminates in a **capstone seminar** where students develop a **senior thesis**.

What can I do with a B.A. in Global Health?

The GHP's unique research, writing, and field experience opportunities make both the BA and Minor excellent preparation for advanced training in health professions including **degrees** and **careers** in medicine, dentistry, and nursing, medical social sciences and medical humanities; public and private sector service provision, including NGOs, government and international institutions and philanthropies; international health, public health, and epidemiology.

Global Health Major Requirements:

All courses must be taken for a letter grade of C- or better.

Core Requirements (40 units/10 courses)

Lower Division (3 courses):

- **HILD 30:** History of Public Health
- **Choose one: SOCI 30:** Science, Technology, and Society **or SOCI 40:** Sociology of Health Care Issues **or SOCI 70:** Sociology for Pre-Meds **or PHIL 26:** Science, Society and Values
- **One course in Statistics:** Choose **one** from PSYCH 60, POLI 30, MATH 11/11L or AP Stats

Upper Division (6 courses):

- **ANSC 148:** Global Health and Cultural Diversity
- **GLBH 181:** Essentials of Global Health
- **MGT 173:** Project Management in Health Services
- One course in **Policy Analysis**
- **GLBH 150A & B:** Capstone Senior Thesis (Winter & Spring of Senior Year)

ELECTIVES (8 courses):

Five of these **MUST** be upper division. Electives are required across four curricular categories including: **medical social sciences, biological sciences, global processes, and medical humanities.**

Global Health Field Experience (100 hours)

Global Health Minor Requirements:

Global Health Minors must complete **seven four-unit courses**, at least five courses/ 20 units must be upper division.

Core Requirements (three courses):

1. **HILD 30:** History of Public Health
2. Choose **two** of the following three options:
 - **ANSC 148 :**Global Health and Cultural Diversity
 - **GLBH 181:** Essentials of Global Health
 - **MGT 173:** Project Management in Health Services
3. **ELECTIVES:** Students will take four additional courses, one a health related **biological science** elective (may be lower division) and three upper division electives from **medical social sciences, biological sciences, or medical humanities.**

Global Health Field Experience

FIELD EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENT

- May be completed domestically or abroad
- Minimum 100 hours, Minimum 5 weeks
- May be non-credit or credit-bearing



Students participating in GH Special Program Health Frontiers in Tijuana Undergraduate Internship Program (HFIT)

How can I fulfill this requirement?

- Participate in Global Health Special Programs
- Internships
- Volunteering
- Student Organizations
- Independent Research w/ Faculty (GLBH 199)
- Study Abroad



*Placement must be pre-approved. GH Majors must complete the Field Experience requirement by the end of fall quarter of the student's senior year.

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