

Fall 2018 Elective Courses Offered

Department	Course/Time	Credits	Course Title	Description
Theology: Sociology of Religion	SR 593 Blevins Mo 1-3:50pm	3	Religion and Health: Sexual and Reproductive Health	This course will offer a sustained critical analysis of the complicated relationship between religion and sexuality, particularly in relation to issues of central concern to sexual and reproductive health. Students will examine the teachings of major world religions (with a primary focus on Christianity and Islam) on sexuality from global perspectives, place those teachings in historical contexts, critically assess the impact of those teachings in the context of sexual and reproductive health initiatives in both national and international contexts, and work to align religion and sexual and reproductive health initiatives through group projects and case studies.
Theology: Ethical Studies	ES 671 Hufner-Kemper Times TBA	1	Skills in Conflict Transformation I	Introduces basic concepts and practices including understanding violence, nonviolent communication, listening, paraphrasing, and basic facilitation.
Nursing	NRSRG 678 Spangler Mo 1-3:50 pm	2	Issues in Women's Health	The purpose of this course is to examine and challenge prevailing views of women's health throughout the life span. Women's growth and development across the life span will be described. Emphasis is placed on culture, race, class and gender as women's health is re-envisioned. Mainstream approaches are challenged and questioned and alternative views consistent with nursing values will be explored. Selected issues, including violence, are examined using power as a framework for critique. Issues are presented by guest lecturers and

				faculty, and include reflections on individual papers that students have chosen to read and share with classmates.
Public Health: Behavioral Sciences & Health Education	BSHE 517 Sales Th 10-11:50 am	2	Adolescent Health	Introduces the major issues in adolescent health, such as physical and psychosocial growth, teenage pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, substance abuse, and violence and abuse. Examines adolescent health services and adolescent health care-seeking behavior. Presents students with the major theoretical perspectives in adolescent health from an interdisciplinary point of view
Public Health: BSHE	BSHE 535 Staff Mo 5-6:50pm	2	Macrosocial Determinants of Health	Advances understanding of how macrosocial factors (also called “contextual” or “structural” factors) affect health. Introduces students to the theoretical underpinnings of related research, current methodological and conceptual challenges, and interventions to improve population health by altering macrosocial factors or mitigating/amplifying their effects. The course has three modules, one on each of the following sets of macrosocial determinants: (1) Policies, Laws, and Their Enforcement; (2) Neighborhood Physical Environment; and (3) Neighborhood Social Environment.
Public Health: BSHE / Health Policy & Management	BSHE 584 / HPM 577 Druss W. 1-2:50pm	2	The Mental Health / Medical Interface in the United States	This seminar explores the complex and dynamic relationship between general health and mental health in the United States. Gaps in parity and a proposal for achieving parity are discussed in the context of health reform.
Public Health: BSHE	BSHE 585 Thompson	1	Introduction to Public Mental Health	This course is designed to provide an overview of mental health issues from a public health perspective. It covers the concepts of mental illness versus

	Tu 1-2:50 pm *Meets September 4 – October 30 only*			mental health, describes the burden of mental illness, discusses diagnosis of prominent mental illnesses and their prevention, and addresses racial and ethnic disparities. Students also complete an experiential exercise to give them a perspective on what it is like to have a mental illness.
Public Health: Environmental Health	EH 520 Caudle Tu/Th 10-11:20 am	3	Human Toxicology	Examines the basic concepts of toxicology in environmental and occupational surroundings. Discusses distribution, absorption, metabolic conversion, and elimination of toxic agents. Mechanisms of injury to body systems following exposure to toxic chemicals are explored at systemic, organ, and cellular levels. Topics include classes of toxicants and methods for detecting and evaluating their effects. <i>Prerequisites: college-level biology and chemistry or instructor's permission.</i>
Public Health: Global Health	GH 507 Kiser Th 3-4:50 pm	2	Health as Social Justice	Offers an interdisciplinary approach to understanding the complexities inherent in improving the health of communities. Examines the multiplicity of social factors that affect health and working models of approaches to favorably alter them. Emphasis is on enhancing one's life as a professional including both leadership roles and personal dimensions by expanding self-awareness and strengthening critical thinking skills. The pedagogy and class design utilize a participatory, learner-directed approach to education. This approach makes possible an engaged experience with issues fundamental to social justice—power relations, empowerment, and participation.
Public Health: GH	GH 593 Blevins Mo 1-2:50 pm	2	Religion and Health: Sexual	This course will offer a sustained critical analysis of the complicated relationship between religion and

			and Reproductive Health	sexuality, particularly in relation to issues of central concern to sexual and reproductive health. In the course students will examine the teachings of Christianity and Islam on sexuality from global perspectives, place those teachings in historical contexts, critically assess the impact of those teachings in the context of sexual and reproductive health initiatives in both national and international contexts, and work to align religion and sexual and reproductive health initiatives through group projects and case studies.
Public Health: EH	EH 581 Kruger We 5-6:50pm	2	Public Health Consequences of Disasters	Considers health aspects of disaster preparedness and management of natural and man-made disasters. Topics include tornados, floods, nuclear accidents, etc. Explores lessons learned from the past and implications for current and future policies and disaster planning.
Law	LAW 635 Carter Mo 2-4pm	2	Child Welfare Law and Policy	
Law	LAW 698B Liwanga We 9am-12pm	3	Child Protection and International Human Rights	The course will examine the legal framework on child protection; explore the different factors challenging child's rights protection; analyze child vulnerability cases; and, evaluate the needs of children exposed to exploitation. IT will also consider the policies and strategies that aim to create a protective environment for children at the international, federal, and state levels.
Law	LAW 699C Waldman TBA	3	Juvenile Defender Clinic	
Law	LAW 808 Stolarski Th 5:30-7:30pm	2	Domestic Violence: US Legal System's Response	
Law	LAW 823 Dinner	3	Seminar: Family Law	

	We 2-4pm			
Pastoral Care	PC 628 Ellison TBA	3	Care for Marginalized Populations	This course garners “expert” wisdom from scholars with distinct disciplinary perspectives who have variously considered the nature and power of human hope and the potential threats to hope faced by marginalized populations and the caregivers who seek to aid them. Young African American men will serve as the primary lens to investigate the problem of threatened hope, muteness, and invisibility. However, care for other unacknowledged groups including, but not limited to the imprisoned, the homeless, and the elderly will be discussed. (Race, Ethnicity, and Gender).