Integrated Health Science, B.S.

Program Description

The Bachelor of Science with a Major in Integrated Health Science will provide a broad-based interdisciplinary degree designed for students interested in pursuing a career in healthcare. To do so, the IHS major will consist of a core group of classes grounded in the basic natural, social and health sciences. The IHS major prepares students to become informed and engaged health professionals, able to think critically about health-related issues and work as part of a healthcare team to develop innovative solutions to current and future healthcare issues. Coursework focuses on the core functions of the healthcare system while emphasizing strategies to promote population health. In addition, the curriculum provides a venue for career exploration. The IHS program of study is flexible enough to allow students career options in the healthcare industry or preparation for graduate education in allied health fields.



This program is a part of the Wellstar College of Health and Human Services.

Admission, Enrollment, and Graduation Policies

Admissions Requirements

This program does not have specific admission requirements and only admission to Kennesaw State University is required. For more information, please visit the Admissions section of the Catalog.

<u>Graduation Requirements</u>

Each student is expected to meet the requirements outlined in Academic Policies 5.0 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS & GRADUATION.

Program Course Requirements

Core IMPACTS Curriculum (42 Credit Hours)

General Education Core IMPACTS Curriculum

Core Field of Study (18 Credit Hours)

Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in these courses.

Required Courses (12 Credit Hours)

- IHS 2100: Introduction to Health Sciences and Professions
- WELL 2000: Foundations of Health and Wellness
- HHS 2100: Overview of Health and Human Services
 OR
- HS 2300: Cultural Competence in the Human Services
- BIOL 2251: Anatomy & Physiology I OR
- HPAL 2250: Anatomy & Physiology for Health and Physical Activity Leadership

Elective Courses (6 Credit Hours)

Select 9 credit hours of 1000-2000 level coursework from the following prefixes: BIOL, COMM, HPE*, ES, FL, HS, PHE, PSYC, SPAN, TCOM, SOCI.

*Note: HPE 1000-level courses cannot satisfy Core Field of Study requirements.

Major Requirements (30 Credit Hours)

Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in these courses.

- HHS 3500: Research Inquiry in Health and Human Services
- PHE 3400: Disease Prevention and Management
- PHE 3330: Health Systems & Health Policy
- HHS 4800: Ethical and Legal Approaches to Decision Making in Health and Human Services
- IHS 4760: Integrated Health Science Seminar
- IHS 3010: Determinants of Health OR
- SOCI 3380: Society, Community, & Health
- IHS 3230: Fundamentals of Healthcare Administration OR
- ECON 3478: Economics of Healthcare
- IHS 3260: Communication and Advocacy in Health Science OR
- COMM 3320: Health Communication
- HHS 3200: mHealth Foundations and Solutions OR

• IT 3503: Foundations of Health Information Technology

Choose one of the following courses:

- IHS 3398: Internship in Integrated Health Science OR
- IHS 4445: Healthcare Innovation
 OR
- HS 4900: Advanced Research Inquiry in Health and Human Services

Major Electives (18 Credit Hours)

Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in these courses.

Related Studies (18 Credit Hours)

Select 18 credit hours of 2000-4000 level coursework from the following prefixes: COMM, ES, HPE, HPAL, HS, HHS, IHS, LDRS, NURS, PHE, SOCI, PSYC, SM, or TCOM, or by permission of the department.

A maximum of 9 credit hours can be taken at the 2000 level.

For a list of recommended courses, consult an advisor.

University Electives (12 Credit Hours)

In accordance with KSU Graduation Policy, students must earn a grade of "D" or better in these courses while maintaining a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA.

Free Electives (12 Credit Hours)

Select 12 credit hours of 1000-4000 level coursework from the University Catalog.

Note: IHS Majors are encouraged to consider a minor or certificate program to fulfill elective requirements.

Program Total (120 Credit Hours)