Health Sciences (HLTH) Courses

HLTH 5100 [0.5 credit]
Fundamentals of Research Methods
Experimental design, statistical analysis and interpretation of results in health science research, principles and methods of epidemiology, fundamentals of research ethics. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): university-level statistics.

HLTH 5101 [0.0 credit]
Statistical Software and its Application to Health Sciences Primer
Introduction to statistical softwares used to analyze health research data. Data management topics include data entry, manipulation, and elementary statistical analyses using SAS, SPSS, Stata and R. Other topics include privacy/maintaining security of health datasets. For students without strong backgrounds in biostatistics/data handling.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

HLTH 5150 [0.5 credit]
Statistics for Health Sciences
Statistical methods commonly used in analyses of health data. This applied course covers topics related to descriptive and graphical methods, tests of hypotheses in both paired and independent samples, linear regression, survival analysis, and logistic regression. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Lecture three hours a week, lab/workshop three hours a week.

HLTH 5151 [0.5 credit]
Principles of Epidemiology
Introduction to epidemiologic concepts and methods. Different types of epidemiologic study designs. Fundamental concepts of: definitions and measures of disease frequency and effects, causality, bias, sample size, confounding and interaction. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

HLTH 5201 [0.5 credit]
Fundamentals of Policy I: Policy Analysis
Policy analysis and policy processes with an emphasis on the stages of the policy process, as well as the influences of institutions, ideas and interests.

HLTH 5202 [0.5 credit]
Fundamentals of Policy II: The Health Sector
Canadian health policies and programs with emphasis on the economics, politics and public administration of the healthcare sector.

HLTH 5300 [0.5 credit]
Knowledge Translation
The application of knowledge translation in the formulation of policy and the development of skills required to maximize the impact of scientific findings through real world programs and policies and communication skills for diverse audiences. Precludes additional credit for NEUR 5801. Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as HLTH 4701, for which additional credit is precluded.

HLTH 5350 [0.5 credit]
New Health Technologies
Overview of new and emerging health technologies, including medical and assistive devices, diagnostics and screening, genetics, reproduction, tissue regeneration, imaging, and health informatics. Health technology assessment methods and issues. Regulatory, ethical and social implications; considerations in the developing world. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as HLTH 4102, for which additional credit is precluded.

HLTH 5401 [0.5 credit]
Interdisciplinary Problems in Health
Development of an understanding of the scope and interdisciplinary nature of issues that impact the health of Canadians is the focus of this course.

HLTH 5402 [0.5 credit]
Biological and Social Fundamentals of Health
What comprises a healthy body and mind? This course addresses the psycho-social and biological mechanisms that may interact to determine health outcomes. The course examines complex relationships between social, environmental, and biological factors underlying some of the most important and emerging health concerns today.

HLTH 5403 [0.5 credit]
Host-Pathogen Interactions
Advanced cellular and molecular mechanisms governing host-pathogen interactions and their contribution to disease. Exploration of immune signaling and recognition, virulence factors, antimicrobial resistance and research techniques used in this field. Prerequisite(s): Permission of the department. Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as HLTH 4304, for which additional credit is precluded.

HLTH 5501 [2.0 credits]
Collaborative Group Research Project
Student teams, supervised by a cross-disciplinary team of faculty, will collaborate on a project that addresses a real-world health concern. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): HLTH 5400.
HLTH 5504 [1.0 credit]
Interdisciplinary Health Research Project - Group
Student teams will collaborate on a research project that addresses a real-world health concern, supervised by a cross-disciplinary team of faculty. Students must be continually registered in this course throughout their degree program (five terms).
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for HLTH 5502 (no longer offered), HLTH 5503 (no longer offered), HLTH 5505.

HLTH 5505 [1.0 credit]
Interdisciplinary Health Research Project – Individual
An independent research project that addresses a real-world health concern, supervised by a faculty member and advised by a cross-disciplinary team of experts. Students must be continually registered in this course throughout their degree program (five terms).
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for HLTH 5502 (no longer offered), HLTH 5503 (longer offered), HLTH 5504.
Prerequisite(s): permission of the Faculty supervisor and the Department of Health Sciences.

HLTH 5600 [0.25 credit]
Special Topics in Biostatistics and Epidemiology
Selected topics in biostatistics and epidemiology, focusing on areas of specific relevance to the health sector, not available in regular program offerings. These courses are designed to provide depth of expertise and/or specific skills relevant to the workplace.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

HLTH 5601 [0.25 credit]
Special Topics in Health Policy and Administration
Selected topics in health policy and administration, focusing on areas of specific relevance to the health sector, not available in regular program offerings. These courses are designed to provide depth of expertise and/or specific skills relevant to the workplace.

HLTH 5602 [0.25 credit]
Special Topics: Social and Behavioural
Selected topics in the social and behavioural sciences, focusing on areas of specific relevance to the health sector, not available in regular program offerings. These courses are designed to provide depth of expertise and/or specific skills relevant to the workplace.

HLTH 5603 [0.25 credit]
Special Topics in Environmental Health
Selected topics in environmental health, focusing on areas of specific relevance to the health sector, not available in regular program offerings. These courses are designed to provide depth of expertise and/or specific skills relevant to the workplace.

HLTH 5604 [0.25 credit]
Special Topics in the Science of Disease
Selected topics in the science of disease, focusing on areas of specific relevance to the health sector, not available in regular program offerings. These courses are designed to provide depth of expertise and/or specific skills relevant to the workplace.

HLTH 5605 [0.25 credit]
Special Topics: Engineering, Design and Computer Science
Selected topics in applications of engineering, design or computer science in health, focusing on areas of specific relevance to the health sector, not available in regular program offerings. These courses are designed to provide depth of expertise and/or specific skills relevant to the workplace.

HLTH 5700 [0.5 credit]
Special Topics in Biostatistics and Epidemiology
Selected topics in biostatistics and epidemiology, focusing on areas of specific relevance to the health sector, not available in regular program offerings. These courses are designed to provide depth of expertise and/or specific skills relevant to the workplace.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

HLTH 5701 [0.5 credit]
Special Topics in Health Policy and Administration
Selected topics in health policy and administration, focusing on areas of specific relevance to the health sector, not available in regular program offerings. These courses are designed to provide depth of expertise and/or specific skills relevant to the workplace.

HLTH 5702 [0.5 credit]
Special Topics: Social and Behavioural
Selected topics in the social and behavioural sciences, focusing on areas of specific relevance to the health sector, not available in regular program offerings. These courses are designed to provide depth of expertise and/or specific skills relevant to the workplace.

HLTH 5703 [0.5 credit]
Special Topics in Environmental Health
Selected topics in environmental health, focusing on areas of specific relevance to the health sector, not available in regular program offerings. These courses are designed to provide depth of expertise and/or specific skills relevant to the workplace.

HLTH 5704 [0.5 credit]
Special Topics in the Science of Disease
Selected topics in the science of disease, focusing on areas of specific relevance to the health sector, not available in regular program offerings. These courses are designed to provide depth of expertise and/or specific skills relevant to the workplace.
HLTH 5705 [0.5 credit]
Special Topics: Engineering, Design and Computer Science
Selected topics in applications of engineering, design or computer science in health, focusing on areas of specific relevance to the health sector, not available in regular program offerings. These courses are designed to provide depth of expertise and/or specific skills relevant to the workplace.

HLTH 5800 [0.5 credit]
Directed Studies in Health: Science, Technology and Policy
One-to-one instruction in selected aspects of specialized Health: Science and Technology subjects not covered by other graduate courses. Students may not take this course from their project supervisor(s), and are limited to one directed studies course per program.
Prerequisite(s): permission of the director of Health: Science, Technology and Policy.

HLTH 5801 [0.5 credit]
Health: Science, Technology and Policy Practicum
This practicum supports students in gaining relevant and practical experience through applying course learning at approved organizations. Students are responsible for arranging the placement with an external partner where the practicum will be held, preparing a learning contract, and completing a field-based project deliverable.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): Completion of two semesters of the MSc in HSTP program, permission of the department and at the discretion of the practicum supervisor. Students may not be supervised by their MSc research supervisor(s) and are limited to one practicum per program.

HLTH 5901 [0.5 credit]
Advanced Topics in Interdisciplinary Health Sciences
Discussion of current health problems and exploration of innovative interdisciplinary solutions. Development of skills required to perform critical analyses of health research to evaluate the quality, interpret the findings, and assess the impact of health sciences literature across disciplines.

HLTH 5902 [0.5 credit]
Seminars in Interdisciplinary Health Sciences for MSc
Development of scientific communication skills through attendance at interdisciplinary seminars and by the student presenting a seminar on their own thesis research. Topics have specific or broad relevance to health sciences. Graded SAT/UNS.

HLTH 5905 [0.0 credit]
Final Research Seminar Presentation for MSc
Final seminar of MSc thesis research. Seminar presentation should occur within one month of the final oral thesis defence.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

HLTH 5909 [4.0 credits]
MSc Thesis
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

HLTH 6902 [0.5 credit]
Seminars in Interdisciplinary Health Sciences
Development of scientific communication skills through attendance at interdisciplinary seminars and by the student presenting a seminar on their own thesis research. Topics have specific or broad relevance to health sciences. Graded SAT/UNS.

HLTH 6903 [0.5 credit]
Grant Proposals and Ethics
Advanced course in writing successful grant proposals in Tri-Council (CIHR, NSERC, SSHRC) formats. Ethics associated with conducting health sciences research, including the preparation of ethics proposals for human and animal studies in health sciences research.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

HLTH 6904 [0.0 credit]
Mid-Program Defence
Departmental seminar and Graduate Advisory Committee meeting on PhD research including results to date and future research aims and directions, and on field-specific knowledge.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

HLTH 6905 [0.0 credit]
Final Research Seminar Presentation
Final seminar of PhD thesis research. Seminar presentation should occur within one month of the final oral thesis defence.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

HLTH 6909 [0.0 credit]
PhD Thesis
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity