

PUBLIC HEALTH, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND LAW, CERTIFICATE

Certificate Program in Public Health, Human Rights, and Law

Offered by the faculty of the BSPH Center for Public Health and Human Rights (<https://publichealth.jhu.edu/center-for-public-health-and-human-rights/about/>), the certificate is a critical part of training for current JHU degree-seeking graduate students who wish to further their capacity for research and advocacy work with the world's most vulnerable populations. The Center is made up of public health professionals, researchers, health workers, lawyers, and advocates dedicated to improving health and promoting social justice through education, research, and advocacy in accordance with the International Declaration of Health Rights (<https://publichealth.jhu.edu/about/at-a-glance/mission-vision-and-values/international-declaration-of-health-rights/#:~:text=We%2C%20as%20people%20concerned%20about,rights%20of%20every%20human%20being.>).

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

The Certificate Program in Public Health, Human Rights, and Law is designed to:

1. Increase understanding among public health professionals regarding the key linkages between human rights and public health.
2. Explore the vital roles of health professionals in promoting human rights, including the right to health, advocating for protection of human rights, researching violations, and building a culture of human rights.
3. Build familiarity with international human rights standards and institutions.
4. Review how human rights concepts can be brought to bear on public health programs and policies, ranging from developing health systems to responding to an epidemic of infectious disease.
5. Review how public health professionals can bring epidemiology and other methods of public health to investigate, analyze, and document abuses of human rights.

SPONSORING DEPARTMENT

Epidemiology (<https://publichealth.jhu.edu/departments/epidemiology/>)

ADMISSIONS

Complete certificate program admissions information and contact information are available on the certificate program page (<https://publichealth.jhu.edu/academics/health-and-human-rights-certificate-program/>) on the Bloomberg School of Public Health website.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION

Students must take all required and elective courses for a letter grade and maintain an overall GPA of 2.75 or higher in all certificate coursework. The certificate program length is flexible and varies from

student to student. However, the certificate must be completed within three years.

In addition to the course requirements listed below, any certificate students who do not already complete Epidemiology coursework as part of their degree program must complete at least one Epidemiology course.

The student should review the section of the website that addresses completion (<https://publichealth.jhu.edu/academics/certificate-programs/requirements-for-successful-completion-of-a-certificate-program/>) before completing certificate program requirements. The student's transcript will not indicate that the certificate was earned until the Notification of Completion has been submitted and verified by the certificate program and processed by the Registrar.

COURSE OF STUDY

Students should check the BSPH course directory (<https://publichealth.jhu.edu/courses/>) to confirm when courses are offered. Students should also check for prerequisites and whether instructor consent is required for courses.

Code	Title	Credits
PH.550.860	Academic & Research Ethics at BSPH (All students are required to complete this online noncredit course in their first term of study)	
Required courses: At least 4 from the following:		
PH.180.600	Public Health Implications of Health as a Human Right (typically offered onsite in Winter Institute)	2
PH.180.636	Human Rights and Health Seminar (typically offered onsite in 4th term)	3
PH.306.650	Public Health and the Law (typically offered in the 3rd term)	3
PH.340.639	Assessing Epidemiologic Impact of Human Rights Violations (typically offered onsite in 4th term)	2
PH.340.683	Human Rights in Public Health Practice (typically offered onsite in 3rd term)	2
PH.340.874	Current Topics in Human Rights (typically offered onsite in 1st term)	1
PH.380.663	Gender-Based Violence Research, Practice and Policy: Issues and Current Controversies (typically offered onsite in 3rd term)	3
<i>Students must complete additional elective courses from any of the following categories for a total of at least 18 credits, including credits from required courses</i>		
<i>Environment and Public Health</i>		
PH.180.626	Environmental Justice and Public Health Practice (typically offered online in 2nd term)	3
PH.221.656	Conceptual Foundations of Health Equity and Social Justice (typically offered onsite in Winter Institute)	3
<i>Health disparities</i>		
PH.301.615	Seminar in Health Disparities (typically offered onsite in 2nd term)	3
PH.308.610	The Political Economy of Social inequalities and Its Consequences for Health and Quality of Life (typically offered 4th term)	3
PH.410.605	Fundamental Tools for Promoting Health Equity (typically offered online in 2nd term)	3

PH.410.611	Under Pressure: Health, Wealth & Poverty (typically offered onsite in 3rd term)	3
<i>LGBTQ Health</i>		
PH.306.670	Issues in LGBTQ Health Policy (typically offered onsite in 2nd term)	3
PH.410.683	Global Perspectives on the Health of Sexual and Gender Minorities (typically offered onsite in 3rd term)	3
<i>Vulnerable Populations</i>		
PH.318.623	Social Policy for Marginalized and Disenfranchised Populations in the U.S. (typically offered online in 2nd term)	3
PH.340.692	Prisons, Public Health, and Human Rights (typically offered onsite in 4th term)	2
PH.380.750	Migration and Health: Concepts, Rates, and Relationships (typically offered onsite in 3rd term)	3
<i>Methods</i>		
PH.340.698	Methods For Assessing Power, Privilege, and Public Health in the United States (typically offered onsite in 4th term, every other year)	4
<i>Gender</i>		
PH.380.668	International Perspectives on Women, Gender, and Health (typically offered onsite in 4th term)	3
PH.380.768	Selected Topics in Women's Health and Women's Health Policy (typically offered online in 1st term)	4
<i>Bioethics and Law</i>		
SA.500.102	Corporate Sustainability, Business & Human Rights	4
PH.330.667	Mental Health and the Law (typically offered onsite in 3rd term)	3
PH.306.660	Legal and Public Health Issues in the Regulation of intimacy (typically offered in the 4th term)	3
PH.306.662	Public Health Agencies: Law, Policy and Practice (typically offered in the 4th term)	3