This major is intended for students interested in fields that inform the health profession and in related questions about health and human experience. Courses in this interdisciplinary major meet many of the requirements for admission to professional programs in medicine, nursing, and other fields.

Opportunities for Students

- **Medical Internship Requirement:** All students must participate in a medical internship during their time at USC to better understand the how health issues relate to different fields.
- **Ethnographics Lab:** The Ethnographics Laboratory is a part of the Center for Visual Anthropology which provides archival and computer facilities for students and faculty who work with nonlinear editing systems and interactive media in anthropology.
- **Study Abroad:** Understand how health affects people around the globe by living in countries including Brazil, Chile, South Africa, or Ireland.
- **Shape Your Study:** Students can tailor coursework to their interests with focuses on Bioethics; Health, Gender, and Ethnicity; Health and Aging; Global Health; Health and the Mind; Biological Sciences, Biochemistry, or Biotechnology.

Notable Courses

- **BISC 325: Genetics** — Transmission genetics and genotype/phenotype; mapping methods; complex traits; genetics of human disease and population genetics.
- **REL 319: Religious and Ethical Issues in Death and Dying** — Analysis of religious and ethical approaches to death and dying, including refusal of treatment for competent and incompetent patients, voluntary and involuntary euthanasia, and resuscitation.
- **SOCI 475: Medical Sociology** — Social and cultural factors in causation of disease, health care utilization, and health care delivery.
- **SWMS 336: Health, Gender, and Ethnicity** — Cross-cultural notions of the body, health, and healing; historic and cultural variability of ideas of reproduction, birth, sexuality, mental illness, and disability.
Bachelor of Arts (BA) Requirements

Core Requirements*
- BISC 120: General Biology — Organismal Biology and Evolution
  or BISC 121: Advanced General Biology — Organismal Biology and Evolution
- BISC 220: General Biology — Cell Biology and Physiology
  or BISC 221: Advanced General Biology — Cell Biology and Physiology
- CHEM 105: General Chemistry A & B
- BISC 320: Molecular Biology
- HBIO 300: Evolution, Ecology, and Culture

Experiential Learning Requirement (select one)**
- AMST 365: Leadership in the Community
- GERO 495: Practicum in Geriatric Care
- MDA 250: Internship for Liberal Arts — Work and Career, Theory and Practice
- POSC 395: Directed Governmental and Political Leadership Internship
- SWMS 311: Gender Studies and the Community — Internship

Module Requirement (select one)*
- Group A Modules (four courses in each)
  Bioethics
  Global Health
  Health, Gender, and Ethnicity
  Health and Aging
  Health and Mind
- Group B Modules (five courses in each)
  Biological Sciences
  Biochemistry
  Biotechnology

Additional Requirements
- Choose four (4) elective courses from the list of modules. At least two (2) courses must come from Group A and two (2) courses must come from Group B.

*This information is offered as a partial overview only. For additional information, including all major requirements, please consult the USC Catalogue or http://dornsife.usc.edu/health-and-humanity/. Updated as of August 2015.

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