

MHS REGISTRATION ADVISING CHECKLIST FORM
PLEASE FILL OUT BEFORE SEEING AN ADVISOR

Name (Print) _____ Year _____

Email address: _____

If another Major or Minor, list here _____

Indicate below the courses you have already taken and those you plan to take next semester. Put a star (*) next to the courses you plan to take next semester.

1. CORE COURSES - One of the following core courses (3 hours): *Check one*

- MHS 170/1920, Politics of Health
- MHS 180/1940, Racial & Ethnic Health Disparities
- MHS 201/1930, Social Dimensions of Health and Illness
- MHS 1950, Theories of the Body
- MHS 208/2110, American Medicine in the World
- MHS 232/2230, Masculinity and Men's Health
- ANTH 242/2342, Biology of Inequality

2. CONCENTRATION - Four courses (12 hours):

Concentrations areas include Global health; Health behaviors and health sciences; Health policies and economies; Race, inequality, and health; Medicine, humanities, and arts; and Critical health studies (Lists of applicable courses available on p. 113-114 in the catalog

<http://www.vanderbilt.edu/catalogs/undergrad/UGAD.pdf>). **These cannot be used to satisfy the core course or elective requirements. Must include courses in at least 2 different subject areas.**

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3. ELECTIVES - Seven courses chosen from the list of approved courses (21 credit hours):

All MHS courses may count as electives (except MHS 293a/3880 and 294a/3830). See the undergraduate catalog for a list of MHS approved courses. **These cannot be used to satisfy the core course or concentration requirements.**

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4. DISCIPLINARY REQUIREMENT - One of the following must be used to satisfy the concentration or electives requirements. **These CAN be used to satisfy the electives or concentration requirements.** *Check one*

- ANTH 240/3143, Medical Anthropology
- ANTH 250/3141, Anthropology of Healing
- ECON 221/2350, Health Care Policy
- ECON 268/3350, Economics of Health
- HIST 280/2800, Modern Medicine
- MHS 205W/3050W, Medicine and Literature
- PHIL 108/1008, 108W/1008W Introduction to Medical Ethics
- PHIL 270/3608, Ethics and Medicine
- PSCI 268/3268, American Health Policy
- PSY 268/3635, Health Psychology
- SOC 237/3301, Medicine and Society
- SOC 268/3304, Race, Gender, and Health
- WGS 240/2240, Introduction to Women's Health

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Advisor name _____ Reviewed by _____

Additional Guidance and information:

- Up to **12 hours** from the following list may be counted for the major: BSCI 110a–b/1510-1511, Intro to BioSci; BSCI 220/2520, Biochemistry I; CHEM 220a–b/2221-2222 or 218a-218b/2211-2212, Organic Chemistry; NURS 210a–b/3101-3102, Anatomy and Physiology; NURS 231a/1601, Introduction to Nutrition, and 231b/1602, Nutrition & Health. Your grade in *all* of these courses will count toward your MHS GPA.
- Starting in fall 2016, students will declare their concentration area. We will contact you this summer requesting your concentration area. Not sure which concentration you prefer? Just make your best guess; you can always change it later.
- You may notice that you have fewer electives than you thought; this is an audit issue. Your elective courses “hang out” in the concentration areas until you fulfill your concentration. Any class that counts toward a concentration area also counts toward elective credit. This problem should be resolved once you declare a concentration this summer.
- Other than MHS, no more than 12 credit hours may be in the same subject area. Concentration courses must be in at least two different subject areas. A&S Psychology and Peabody count as the same subject area for the purposes of the MHS major/minor.
- Students who are double majoring may double count only 6 hours for MHS and their other major. You should double check this on your audit. The audit system does not always catch overlaps in credit, especially for interdisciplinary majors (e.g. MHS & neuroscience).
- Some courses are listed for credit “as appropriate” in the catalog. These courses sometimes but not always have MHS-related content. If the class is not already listed on YES for MHS credit, fill out the MHS Course Variance Form and turn it in to the MHS administrative assistance in Calhoun 300. Form available at <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/mhs/forms/>
- How can you find out which courses count toward MHS? To find out **which non-MHS courses are offered for MHS credit**, do an “Advanced” course search on YES. Select “Eligible for Medicine Health and Society” under “class attributes.” All MHS lettered courses count toward the major (excepted ungraded internships and service learning courses).
- Thinking about studying abroad and want to know which courses may count toward MHS? An info sheet is available at <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/mhs/forms/>
- Need to request a “**Course Variance**” because you think a course should count for MHS credit? Fill out the MHS Course Variance Form and turn it in to the MHS administrative assistance in Calhoun 300. Form available at <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/mhs/forms/>
- Want to enroll in an **independent study** or **internship** (MHS 3880/3881 or MHS 3850)? First ask a MHS or MHS-affiliated faculty member to supervise your project. See the Catalog for a list of faculty. Typically, students choose a faculty member with whom they already have a relationship or a faculty member whose research interests overlap with the proposed project. Next, write a 1-2 page description of your project and have it approved by your faculty advisor. Turn in the independent study or internship form along with the description of your project to Lisa Hawkins in Calhoun 300. Forms and project descriptions are due before the first day of class. However, it is best to touch base with your adviser or Professor Courtney Muse well before the end of the semester to ensure your project is appropriate for MHS credit. Students getting internship credit must also schedule a meeting with Dean Yollette Jones and get her approval.

Additional Opportunities:

- MA in Social Foundations of Health: Students in the MHS program have the opportunity to earn both a bachelor’s and master’s degree in just five years of study through Vanderbilt’s 4+1 BA/MA program. This program is aimed at students who want to gain research experience, enhance their interdisciplinary training, and strengthen their applications before entering medical or professional school or seeking entry to doctoral programs. Applications are due **November 1 2017**: <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/mhs/undergraduate/4plus1/>
- MHS Honors Program is a selective, two-semester program of individual undergraduate research, supervised by faculty advisors. Honors candidates propose, research, and write a thesis that contributes to an existing scholarly literature in the chosen field of study. To satisfy MHS’s requirements, the thesis must examine some aspect of health and health care in its social and cultural contexts. Completed applications are due by **March 31, 2017**.