

HUMAN RIGHTS & SOCIAL JUSTICE CONTEXT CERTIFICATE

for students *entering September 2024 and subsequently**

CERTIFICATE INFORMATION

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Link to the Bulletin:

[HRSJ Certificate Bulletin](#)

MPH INTEGRATED CORE COURSES (16 CREDITS)

Online Course (0 credit) to be taken before classes begin

- **PH700:** Foundations of Public Health**

Develop a strong foundation in public health through the integrated core curriculum:

- **PH717:** Quantitative Methods for Public Health
- **PH718:** Leadership and Management in Public Health
- **PH719:** Health Systems, Law and Policy
- **PH720:** Individual, Community and Population Health

ADDITIONAL 16 CREDITS

Students are required to complete one functional certificate (16 credits):
Choose one of the following options to fulfill your additional 16 credits

1. Complete a second functional certificate (16 cr.)
2. Complete a context certificate (12 cr.) plus 1 elective (4 cr.)
3. Complete 16 elective credits

48 credits total to an MPH degree

HRSJ CERTIFICATE COURSEWORK (12 Credits)

	FALL	SPRING
REQUIRED 4 CREDITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LW740: Health & Human Rights (fall) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LW740: Health & Human Rights (spring)
CHOOSE AT LEAST 8 CREDITS OF ELECTIVES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EP 775: Social Epidemiology (fall) • GH 795: Global Aids Epidemic (fall) • LW 840: Health Law, Bioethics and Human Rights (fall) • SB 760: Health of LGBTQ Populations (fall) • SB 860: Strategies for Public Health Advocacy (fall) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EP 775: Social Epidemiology (spring) • GH 750: Gender, Sexuality, Power, and Inequality in Global Health (spring) • GH 770: Poverty, Health and Development (spring) • LW 854: Mental Health Law, Policy & Ethics (spring) • MC 750: Disability Justice Through the Life Course: Programs, Policies, and Turning Advocacy to Action (spring) • MC 775: Social Justice and the Health of Populations: Racism and Other Systems of Oppression in the United States (spring) • MC 785: Reproductive Health Advocacy: From Rights to Justice (spring) (2cr) • MC 786: Immigrant and Refugee Health (spring) • SB 860: Strategies for Public Health Advocacy (spring)

*Students **must** follow course requirements relative to the semester they matriculated. Official requirements are listed in the Academic Bulletin. Degree Advice via My BU Student Portal is a useful tool to track progress.

**PH700 Foundations of Public Health (0 cr.) is a self-directed, online course completed prior to matriculation.

MPH PRACTICUM PH976 (240 Hours; 0 CREDITS)

- Gain experience as a public health professional
- Minimum of 240 hours, more hours recommended

More information can be found [here](#).

CAREER PREP PH746 (0 CREDITS)

Must complete prior to graduation. Career Prep is a career development course students must complete prior to graduation. **Dual degree students** should consult the academic bulletin for official degree requirements as they differ from the roadmap.

INTEGRATIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCE PH845 (0 CREDITS)

Completed in your **FINAL** semester

- Tied to functional area certificate
- Give students opportunity to practice all the functional certificate skills in individual final project
- Student initiated; faculty guided
- Registrar will enroll students in PH845 after graduation application is processed