The purpose of the interdisciplinary Public Health Minor is to allow students majoring in areas which directly or indirectly impact the health of populations to gain insight, knowledge and experience in the diverse field of public health. The objectives of this minor are:

a. to acquaint the student with the core values of public health including assessment, policy development and assurance;

b. to increase the students understanding and awareness of the importance of biological, chemical and other natural processes to disease and health;

c. to provide the skills students need to become leaders in promoting health;

d. to critique the value of existing programs, laws, and healthcare structure at local to global levels;

e. to provide specific business knowledge relating to health care economics and marketing;

f. to provide the skills students need to contribute to the changing field of public health through research, awareness and leadership.

The elective courses selected should be based on the need to provide a broader education for each student. Students interested in this degree MUST consult with a public health minor advisor to identify specific courses required to focus specific public health interests.