Transdisciplinary Freshman Course: Gender, Youth and Global Health

Spring 2020 | 3-Credit Course
Monday & Wednesday: 3 - 4 pm | Friday: flexible

Are you interested in public health, clinical medicine, and global health? Do you want to make a difference in the world? And, are you concerned about a kind of approach that is sensitive to issues of culture and power?

This course links critical perspectives on global health derived from the humanities and social sciences with applied approaches and goals in the fields of public health, social work, and global health. Through in-depth case studies, this course provides an introduction to gender specific issues in the context of childhood and adolescence, poverty, and global health.

Students will learn to identify how gender and gender differences affect conditions of life in the areas of reproductive health, nutrition, conflict, access to healthcare, and the social determinants of health, especially for young people. Additionally, they will come to understand the current challenges that global health practitioners and institutions confront in achieving gender equity and the current efforts towards closing the gap.

Student Testimonials

I found it interesting to talk about and address ideas that are prevalent in many places around the world, including in our very own country.

I loved hearing from people doing global health work and their accounts of what it's like to be in the field.

I liked how there was a different lecturer almost every class and the wide variety of topics we were able to cover. It was never boring.