

# HEALTH STUDIES

In the United States, the health-care industry is big business, with annual expenditures of more than \$3.3 trillion a year consuming more than 18 percent of the gross domestic product.

Health is a leading factor in the productivity of businesses, and health-care costs play a major role on the bottom line of every business. All businesses that provide benefits to their employees spend a large share of their energies on issues related to the health of their employees and the ever-changing dynamics of the health insurance industry.

Despite attempts at reforms, our nation is currently on an unsustainable path of increasing health-care costs. The causes for this predicament are complex, and its solution will require considerable ingenuity and creativity, taking into account biology, technology, society and business. A student with a Health Studies degree will be prepared to help individuals and organizations acquire, convert or translate scientific, psychological and business perspectives into more effective health-care delivery.

The Health Studies major is an innovative program that integrates the Natural and Applied Sciences health and psychology curricula with Bentley's core programs in business. In addition to a strong foundation in the laboratory sciences, students with a Health Studies degree will have the flexibility to tailor their studies to specific areas of interest, such as policy, psychology, biotechnology, and global or environmental health.

## HANDS-ON LEARNING

You can choose to further your classroom knowledge through our hands-on learning programs: corporate partnerships, internships, service learning and study abroad.

By participating in these opportunities, you will gain valuable real-world experience, learn about diverse people and perspectives, and gain new skills for living and working in a global community.

## CAREERS

This major gives you a comprehensive and flexible introduction to a wide range of issues related to health, integrated with a solid foundation of business knowledge. It will provide you with a solid basis for understanding the determinants of human health and disease and how the institutions that deliver or support health care function. The career path for graduates of this program is very promising, including such opportunities as:

- Health services
- Health-care policy
- Health-care management
- Health information technology
- Health information management
- Biotechnology
- Public health
- Human resources

## REQUIRED AND ELECTIVE COURSES

### MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Human Biology  
OR

Elements of Living Systems

Human Health and Disease in Today's World

Health Psychology

Four Health, Psychology or Interdepartmental electives

Senior Capstone Experience: Internship in Natural and Applied Sciences or Research in Natural and Applied Sciences

### HEALTH STUDIES CONCENTRATIONS

Health Policy

Health Psychology

Biotechnology

Environmental Health

### HEALTH STUDIES ELECTIVES (PARTIAL LIST)

Health of Nations

The Science and Business of Biotechnology

Global Health Challenges

Human Inheritance

Abnormal Psychology

Psychology of Adjustment

Human Relations in Health Care

Health Economics

Health, Illness and Everyday Life

Social Policy

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Most Bentley students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree take the following courses:

### GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Information Technology  
Expository Writing I  
Expository Writing II  
Mathematical Sciences I  
Mathematical Sciences II  
Government  
Problems of Philosophy  
Principles of Microeconomics  
Principles of Macroeconomics  
First-Year Seminar (one credit)

For each of the following requirements, you can choose an applicable course from a wide variety of offerings:

Literature/Cinema  
Natural Sciences  
Math or Natural Sciences elective  
History  
Behavioral Sciences  
Humanities/Social Science elective

### BUSINESS STUDIES MINOR

Legal and Ethical Environment of Business  
Tools and Concepts in Accounting and Finance  
Practice and Applications in Accounting and Finance  
Business Statistics  
Marketing-Operations Fundamentals  
OR  
Human Behavior and Organizations

### MODERN LANGUAGE AND/OR ARTS AND SCIENCES ELECTIVES

Choose four courses

### ARTS AND SCIENCES ELECTIVES

Choose three courses

### UNRESTRICTED ELECTIVES

Choose five courses

# TAKE IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL.

After you've selected a major, what else can you do to make your education work harder? Customize your degree with an optional second major, choose a minor or get a head start on graduate study.

**BUSINESS STUDIES MAJOR** The Business Studies major (BSM) is a new, optional second major designed for students pursuing an arts and sciences degree at Bentley. The BSM has been designed to provide you with additional options for your Bentley education, allowing you to take advantage of an arts and sciences education within the context of a business university — a unique advantage that can help you stand out to future employers.

If you are pursuing a Health Studies degree, you must complete either the BSM or a Business Studies minor.

**MINORS** You can further specialize your studies through one of our minors.

- Accountancy
- Actuarial Sciences
- Business Economics
- Computer Information Systems
- Data Technologies
- Earth, Environment and Global Sustainability
- English and Media Studies
- Entrepreneurial Studies
- Finance
- Gender Studies
- Global Management
- History
- Human Resources Management
- Information and Process Management
- Information Design and Corporate Communication
- International Affairs
- International Economics
- Law
- Leadership
- Management
- Marketing
- Mathematical Sciences
- Modern Languages
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Philosophy
- Politics
- Public Policy
- Sociology
- Sports Business Management
- Supply Chain/Operations Management

**FALCON FAST-TRACK PROGRAM** The Falcon Fast-Track program is designed for motivated undergraduate students with high academic standing in ANY undergraduate major. Depending on the program of study, master's degree requirements may be completed with one year of additional full-time academic work. Students enrolled in the Falcon Fast-Track Program have the opportunity to pursue one of nine master's programs.

For more information, visit [bentley.edu/fast-track](http://bentley.edu/fast-track).