Undergraduate Global Learning Semester

Global Health: Fall 2016

Priority Applications are due March 1 and the final deadline is May 1, 2016. Visit www.dukekunshan.edu for details.

With its aging population, environmental conditions, rapid economic growth, and distinct social system, China faces enormous public health issues, which in turn affect the world. Studying Global Health at Duke Kunshan, you will learn about China’s particular conditions and undertake special research projects that will give you a better picture of global health issues in a developing world.

Social Determinants of Health GLHTLH305K
Introduction to how social factors influence health and well-being, with a particular focus on global patterns and also contemporary Chinese society. Topics include obesity, aging, socioeconomic disadvantage, access to health insurance, public health systems, the role of the media, and racial/ethnic and gender inequalities. The course will provide descriptive assessments of health inequalities and analytic examinations of the mechanisms through which social factors affect health.

Research Methods in Global Health GLHTLH371K
Introduction to research methods through examination of a variety of techniques in behavioral and social sciences and relevant to multidisciplinary GH research. Problem-based approach to identifying GH questions of interest, ways to operationalize and test, including strengths and weaknesses of different approaches. Focus on discussing current GH issues, exploring questions and solutions, reading and evaluating published research and interpreting results. Skills include identification of GH problems, awareness of contextual, behavioral, and ethical issues involved, conceptualization of research questions, and designing a research study.

Global Health Ethics: Interdisciplinary Perspectives GLHTLH210K, PUBPOL350K
In this course, students will be asked to understand and apply ethics concepts (e.g. “aggregate good”, “consequentialism”, “fundamental moral unit”) and a method (simplified version of Gert’s “systematic moral analysis”) to analyze and discuss ethical dimensions of public health problems/solutions using historical examples.

Globalization, Development & Chinese Economy HIST225K
A historical perspective on issues of development and globalization in China, including the study of circuits of consumption of everyday items, the personal and environmental impacts of technology social dimensions of globalization and urbanization, and economic dimensions of globalization and urbanization.

Other electives offered for Fall 2016 semester at Duke Kunshan University:
- Chinese Language – All Levels
- Contemporary Documentary Film AMI205K, DOC5270K
- Introductory Astronomy PHYSICS 134K
- Meteorites
- Organizational Behavior
- Writing Across Cultures WRITING230SK
Visit www.dukekunshan.edu for the full list of courses.

Courses are taught in 7-week intensive sessions (except Chinese language)
Students select 4 courses for the semester
Connect with an Admissions Advisor for more details: admissions@dku.edu.cn

The Global Health focused semester features interactive courses and engaging field trips within the local community.
International students engage in co-curricular activities that deepen the experience of Chinese culture, develop camaraderie, and build confidence.
Students make a difference – both inside and outside of the classroom.