

DEGREE PLAN

The Bachelor of Health Sciences curriculum provides the depth of knowledge and background theory necessary to understand not only how the human body functions in health and disease, but also how its environment – both physical and social – play major roles in health and disease.

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Code	Title	Units
Year 1 Core Course Requirements		
ANAT 100	Anatomy of the Human Body	3.00
GLPH 171	Social and Physical Determinants of Health and Disease	3.00
HSCI 190	Introduction to Statistics for the Health Sciences ¹	3.00
IDIS 173	The History and Philosophy of Health and Healthcare	3.00
PHAR 100	Introductory Pharmacology	3.00
PHGY 170	Human Cell Physiology	3.00
Total Units		18.00

¹ If a student has previously completed BIOL 243 or STAM 200, they do not need to take HSCI 190 to fulfil the statistics requirement.

Code	Title	Units
Year 1 Option Course Requirements		
BIOL 102	Fundamentals of Biology: Molecular and Cell Biology	3.00
BIOL 103	Fundamentals of Biology: Organisms to Ecosystems	3.00

CHEM 112	General Chemistry	6.00
or CHEM 113 General Chemistry I (with Virtual Laboratory): From Atoms to Matter		
or CHEM 114 General Chemistry II (with Virtual Laboratory): Thermodynamics and Kinetics		
ENGL 100	Introduction to Literary Study	6.00
IDIS 199	The Science of Mental Health, Well-being, & Resiliency	3.00
MATH 121	Differential and Integral Calculus	6.00
or MATH 123 Differential and Integral Calculus I		
or MATH 124 Differential and Integral Calculus II		
PATH 120	Understanding Human Disease in the 21st Century	8.00
PHYS 118	Basic Physics	6.00
or PHYS 115 Introduction to Physics I		
or PHYS 116 Introduction to Physics II		
PSYC 100	Principles of Psychology	6.00
WRIT 120	Fundamentals of Effective Writing	3.00
WRIT 125	Fundamentals of Academic Essay Writing	3.00

Code	Title	Units
Year 1 Electives*		
		6.00

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Year 2 Core Course Requirements		
BCHM 270	Biochemical Basis of Health and Disease	3.00
HSCI 270	Fundamentals of Health Research Methodology	3.00
GLPH 271	Global and Population Health	3.00
MICR 270	Infection, Immunity and Inflammation ²	3.00
or MICR 271 Introduction to Microbiology		
PHGY 215	Principles of Mammalian Physiology I	3.00
PHGY 216	Principles of Mammalian Physiology II	3.00
Total Units		18.00

² If a student chooses to take both MICR 270 Infection, Immunity and Inflammation and MICR 271 Introduction to Microbiology, one will count as core and the other towards the option or elective requirements.

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Year 2 Option Course Requirements		
BCHM 218	Molecular Biology	3.00
CHEM 281	General Organic Chemistry I (with Virtual Laboratory)	3.00



CHEM 282	General Organic Chemistry II	3.00
or CHEM 285	General Organic Chemistry II (with Virtual Laboratory)	
HLTH 230	Basic Human Nutrition	3.00
or HSCI 230	Nutrition And Health	
IDIS 280	Interprofessional Approaches in Healthcare	3.00
MICR 290	Antibiotic Resistance Lab	3.00
PHGY 290	Investigation of Human Physiological Responses	3.00
GLPH 281	Racism and Health in Canada	3.00

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Year 2 Electives *		
		6.00

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Year 3 Core Course Requirements		
BCHM 370	Genetics and Genomics	3.00
IDIS 373	Health Ethics, Law, and Policy	3.00
PATH 310	Introduction to Pathology and Molecular Medicine	3.00
PHAR 370	Fundamentals of Pharmacology and Therapeutics	3.00
REPD 372	Reproduction and Development	3.00
Total Units		15.00

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Year 3 Option Course Requirements		
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ANAT 309	Functional Histology	3.00
ANAT 312	Functional Neuroanatomy	3.00
ANAT 380	Clinically Relevant Human Anatomy	3.00
BMED 390	Integrative Laboratory Course	3.00
or LISC 390	Integrated Life Science Laboratory I	
LISC 300	The Process of Discovery in the Biomedical Sciences	3.00
LISC 391	Integrated Life Sciences Laboratory	3.00
CANC 380	Evolutionary Biology of Cancer	3.00
GLPH 385	Biohacking & Gerontechnology	3.00
HSCI 383	Advanced Research Methodologies	3.00
MICR 320	Microbes in Health and Disease	3.00
MICR 360	Immunology	3.00
MICR 386	Fundamentals of Immunology in Health and Disease	3.00
NSCI 323	Cellular Neuroscience	3.00
NSCI 324	Systems Neuroscience	3.00
NSCI 325	The Science of Psychedelics	3.00
PATH 381	Clinical Biochemistry	3.00

PHAR 380	Drug and Environmental Toxicology	3.00
PHGY 355	Biomedical Respiratory Physiology	3.00
REPD 387	Sexual Dimorphism in Reproductive Pathologies	3.00

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Year 3 Electives *		
		6.00

Code	Title	Units
Year 4 Core Course Requirements		
GLPH 471	Advanced Global and Population Health	3.00
REPD 473	Developmental Origins of Health And Disease	3.00
Total Units		6.00

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Year 4 Option Course Requirements: Complete a total of 18.0 Units from the following 3 lists.		

Minimum 3.0 units from this list:		
ANAT 409	Selected Topics in Histology	3.00
ANAT 471	Human Embryology	3.00
BCHM 482	Proteomics and Metabolomics	3.00
BMED 483	Advanced Topics In Infectious Diseases	3.00
CANC 440	Cancer Biology and Therapeutics	3.00
CRSS 453	Principles in Cardiorespiratory Science I	3.00
CRSS 454	Cardiovascular Sciences	3.00
CRSS 456	Molecular and Cellular Basis of Cardiovascular Disease	3.00
DDHT 459	Principles of Drug Discovery	3.00
DDHT 460	Principles of Drug Development	3.00
MICR 451	Selected Topics in Viral Pathogen	3.00
MICR 452	Viral Infection and Immunity	3.00
MICR 461	Advanced Immunology	3.00
NSCI 401	Introduction to Theoretical Neuroscience	3.00
NSCI 483	Neurobiology of Learning and Memory	3.00
PATH 425	Current Topics in Human Genetics	3.00
PATH 430	The Molecular Basis of Disease	3.00
PHGY 424	Ion Channels of Excitable Cells	3.00
PHAR 480	Drug Discovery and Development	3.00

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Minimum 3.0 units from this list:		
GLPH 472	Special Populations: Neonatal to End-of-Life-Care	3.00
GLPH 485	Global Application of Health Informatics	3.00

GLPH 487	One World, One Health: The global link between human, animal, and environmental health	3.00
GLPH 493	Global Health Practice	3.00
HSCI 483	Applied Qualitative Methods for Health Research	3.00
IDIS 473	Designing Life After Queen's	3.00
IDIS 480	Advanced Interprofessional Approaches in Healthcare	3.00
IDIS 483	Applied Health Ethics: Clinical, Organizational, and Research Perspectives	3.00

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Additional 4th year Options:

HSCI 591	Health Sciences Research: Design and Methods	3.00
HSCI 592	Health Sciences Research: Design and Methods	3.00
HSCI 593	Health Sciences Research: Data Collection and Interpretation	3.00
HSCI 594	Health Sciences Research: Data Collection and Interpretation	3.00
HSCI 595	Health Sciences Research: Data Collection and Interpretation	3.00
HSCI 598	Advanced Health Sciences Research: Design and Methods	6.00
HSCI 599	Advanced Health Sciences Research: Data Collection and Analysis	6.00

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Year 4 Electives *		6.00

TOTAL UNITS REQUIRED

120.0

Note: Students who complete QUIP or a certificate require more than 120.0 units to satisfy their degree requirements. For specific unit requirements please reach out to our Academic Advisors (bhscadvisor@queensu.ca).

* Electives can be any online or on-campus course, including any listed option courses. All Arts & Science Online (http://www.queensu.ca/artsci_online/courses/course-list/) courses are accepted as electives. Additionally, BHSc On-Campus students may choose courses from the Arts & Science Calendar (<https://queensu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/arts-science/course-descriptions/>).