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## INTERDISCIPLINARY CERTIFICATE IN HEALTH COMMUNICATION

**18 credits, 6 courses total.** Pre-requisites, number of credits, and course attributes are listed in parenthesis.

The Interdisciplinary Certificate in Health Communication (IHC) provides both undergraduate and graduate students with expertise in communicating with and/or for health organizations. The program is interdisciplinary so any student can pursue it. Topics covered include: Improving doctor-patient communication, optimizing communication across complex team structures, crafting effective health care materials, and reaching underserved populations.



\*6000-level courses and above are for graduate students pursuing the certificate. Undergraduates seeking enrollment in 6000-level courses must obtain permission from the department the course is offered through.

### How to Apply

- Students interested in completing the IHC should [schedule an appointment with an academic advisor](#) and begin completing the course requirements.
- Once students have completed (or are in-progress to compete) all required courses with a 'C' or better, an exit interview must be arranged with Dr. Robin Jensen by emailing [r.e.jensen@utah.edu](mailto:r.e.jensen@utah.edu)
- Once the exit interview is scheduled students MUST submit the [Certificate Completion Form](#). This form must be completed no later than two months prior to the students anticipated graduation date.

### Tier 1 (2 courses, 6 credits)

#### Required Course:

\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5115/6115 Foundations of Health Communication (3)

#### Choose ONE of the following:

- \_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5116/6116 Health, Communication, and Culture (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5117/6117 Health, Campaigns, & Media (3)

### Tier 2 (2 courses, 6 credits)

#### Choose TWO of the following:

- \_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5116/6116 Health, Communication, and Culture (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5117/6117 Health, Campaigns, & Media (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5110/6110 Interpersonal Communication (3) (pre-req: COMM 2110)  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5118/6118 Health Literacy (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5140/6140 Communication & Aging (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5170/6170 Issues in Organizational Communication (3) (pre-req: COMM 3170)  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5200/6200 Persuasion & Political Communication (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5350/6350 Ethical Practices and Communication  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5490/6490 Communication & Social Justice (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5590/6590 Integrated Marketing Communication (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5640/6640 Communication, Technology, and Culture (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 5815/6815 Special Topics in Health Communication (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMM 7 \_\_\_\_\_ COMM 7000 level courses as approved by instructor or advisory committee. For grad students only.

Visit [communication.utah.edu/health-comm](http://communication.utah.edu/health-comm) for more information

### Tier 3 (2 courses, 6 credits)

#### Choose ONE HEDU course:

- \_\_\_\_\_ HEDU 5060 International Health Promotion (3) (IR)  
\_\_\_\_\_ HEDU 5100 Health Care in the United States (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ HEDU 5300 Diversity and Health (3) (CW) (DV)  
\_\_\_\_\_ HEDU 5350 Eating Disorder: Prevention and Treatment (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ HEDU 6000 Foundations and Theory of Health Promotion (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ HEDU 6010 Theoretical Foundations of Health Promotion and Education (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ HEDU 6060 Health Instruction and Communication (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ HEDU 6070 Health Education and Technology (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ HEDU 6080 Strategic Planning and Social Marketing in Health Promotion (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ HEDU 6250 Health Theories in Individual Behavior Change (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ HEDU 6260 Health Theories in Group Behavior Change (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ HEDU 6540 Health Communications (3)

#### Choose ONE of the following:

- \_\_\_\_\_ ECON 5190/6190 Health Economics (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ NURS 6060 US Health Care: Systems and Policy (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ NURS 6555 Global Issues in Women's Health (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ NURS 6564 Interdisciplinary Approaches to End-of-Life/Palliative Care (2)  
\_\_\_\_\_ NURS 6772 Quality Improvement in Health Care (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ SOC 4674/6674 Global Health (3) (IR)  
\_\_\_\_\_ SOC 5720/6720 Medical Sociology (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ FPMD 4500 Public Health: A Global Perspective (3) (IR)  
\_\_\_\_\_ FPMD 5005 Introduction to the Medical Profession (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ FPMD 5520 Public Health Perspective on Surgery in the Global Context (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ FPMD 5530/6530 Global Health (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ FPMD 5540 Refugees in Utah: A Public Health Issue (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ PRT 5325 Disabilities, Adaptation, and Accessibility in Therapeutic Recreation (3) (pre-req: PRT 3100 or PRT 6000)  
\_\_\_\_\_ FCS 5390 Gender and Minorities Across the Lifespan (also ETHNC 5290 & GNDR 5390) (3) (DV)  
\_\_\_\_\_ FCS 5430 Families, Consumers, and Health (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ FCS 5630/6630 Healthy Communities (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ GERON 5220 Caregiving and Aging Families (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ GERON 5370/6370 Health and Optimal Aging (also HEDU 5370) (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ PHIL 5510/6510 Applied Ethics (3) (see course catalog for recommended pre-reqs)  
\_\_\_\_\_ PHIL 5520/6520 Advanced Bioethics (3) (see course catalog for recommended pre-reqs)  
\_\_\_\_\_ PHIL 5370 Philosophy of Biology (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ POLS 5321/6321 Health Policy (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ POLS 5570 Management of Nonprofit Organizations (3)  
\_\_\_\_\_ WRTG 5010/6010 Medical and Health Science Discourses (3)