

PBHL 525: Current Public Policy Topics in Science and Medicine

The policy-making process plays a key role in the sciences and medicine. Initiatives proposed by advocacy groups and decisions made by legislators can influence research funding, disease prevention, healthcare delivery, patient engagement, professional regulations, and workforce infrastructure. This seminar-format course will provide an opportunity to examine current issues drawn from public health, workforce development, healthcare innovation, clinical practice, and biomedical research. Oral presentations and brief written exercises will allow students to further refine their skills in communication, research, analysis, and critical thinking.

Learning Objectives

- Discuss key contemporary public policy issues in public health, biomedical research, clinical medicine, and related areas
- Refine communication, research, analytical, and critical thinking skills that may be applied in policy-related positions with the federal government, non-profit organizations, and the private sector

Credits: 2

Class Type: Graduate Course

Prerequisites:

PBHL517, PBHL527, or previous graduate-level coursework on health policy administration and/or management recommended.

Program: Public Health