Overview

What can I do after graduation with a major in Sociology/GPH?

From the College of Global Public Health website:

Today's global environment affords numerous opportunities for people with diverse training to find a satisfying career. Students completing one of the NYU GIPH combined majors will be prepared to pursue a variety of careers in not-for-profit, government, and social service agencies. Other opportunities can be found either in the U.S., with agencies providing international health services and programs (e.g., USAID), or abroad. The Wasserman Center for Career Development and the Global Institute of Public Health will be resources for students wanting to enter the job market.

Coursework

What courses am I required to take to satisfy the requirements for the major?

Sociology/GPH students are required to complete the following courses:

- **Required Public Health Courses**
  - Health Policy in a Global Context
  - Biostatistics for Public Health
  - Epidemiology for Global Health
  - Health Policy in a Global World
  - Environmental Health in a Global World
  - Undergraduate Experiential Learning in Global Public Health

- Advanced Foreign Language Requirement (Proficiency determined by requirements as listed on CAS requirement site)

- One Semester of Study Away

- Introduction to Sociology

- Sociological Theory

- Research Methods

- One advanced seminar in Sociology

- Two Discipline Electives (Please refer to Course Planning Sheet for approved Sociology Courses).
• Two Combined Major Electives (may be either in Sociology or Public Health; students should consult with their academic advisor if they wish to petition to substitute courses in other departments towards the combined major elective requirement)

*Can American Sign Language be counted towards my foreign language requirement?*

Students wishing to have ASL counted towards their foreign language requirement must first petition Dean Kalb’s office (Silver 905) to have this course counted. If this is approved, the student will next need to find an advanced American Sign Language course outside of NYU and petition CAS Advising to have it counted.

*Will I be able to write a senior thesis?*

Students may elect to join the Honors track in Sociology (a year-long honors seminar sequence culminates in completion of an honors thesis) or in the Department’s Capstone Research Seminar.

*Internship*

Please refer to the Experiential Learning in Global Public Health [web page](#) for questions related to the internship requirement.

*Study Abroad*

*Am I required to study abroad?*

All students in the NYU College of Global Public Health Undergraduate Program are expected to study abroad for one semester. Under special circumstances, a student may request to waive this requirement. To apply for a waiver, a student must complete the Study Abroad Waiver Application and submit it to his/her home school advisor. If approved, the advisor will submit the form to the CGPH at [cgph.studentaffairs@nyu.edu](mailto:cgph.studentaffairs@nyu.edu) for review. Please contact Kristen Bush, [kristen.bush@nyu.edu](mailto:kristen.bush@nyu.edu) to obtain a Study Abroad Application.

*Does summer or J-term meet the study abroad requirement?*

Yes; students may complete their study abroad requirements during summer or J-term.

*Will I be able to satisfy my major requirements when I go abroad?*

There are several NYU global sites that offer one or more courses that students may take to satisfy their major requirements. Students should review the list of available courses each semester on either Albert or the [global site course page](#), and consult with their academic advisor on which courses may count towards their requirements.
I would like to petition to waive out of the Advanced Foreign Language Requirement. How can I do this?

Students wishing to waive the Advanced Foreign Language requirement should contact Dean Kalb’s office (Silver 905).

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For additional questions, please contact the following department members:

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