

Post-Baccalaureate Diploma

Health and Social Impact

If you are interested in individual and population health and social outcomes, consider post-baccalaureate studies in Health and Social Impact.

The 2-year International Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Health and Social Impact equips graduates with foundational knowledge and skills required to tackle key challenges in health and wellbeing, at the individual, family, and population levels. You will explore institutional and system-level tensions, processes, structures, and policies; consider availability and access to resources, technologies, infrastructure, capacity of people; and examine myriad forces that influence health and social outcomes, including cultural, bio-psycho-social, spiritual, geopolitical, and economic factors.

Graduates will learn to identify and address health equity challenges through a collaborative integration of disciplines and perspectives, with a view to balance:

- Individual and family health and social well-being in the context of social determinants, risks, and protective factors
- Influence and impact of ecological and socio-political factors, for example on laws or policies such as those related to schooling, neighbourhood, work, social, community, geographic, economic, and political environments; including the impact of colonialism
- Multi-level analyses that consider individuals, systems, regional, community, and global perspectives
- Systems level tensions and factors that shape health and wellbeing
- Ethical decision-making at the individual, process, and system levels
- Quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methodologies, including evaluation and implementation science
- Cross-cultural experiences and practices of health in understanding how health problems arise and impact individuals and communities

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Why Nipissing?

Nipissing offers the opportunity to learn in a safe and friendly community. Our goal is to provide a high-quality personalized learning journey – one student at a time: To explore big ideas, while also creating opportunities for applied learning that are responsive to diverse experiences, families, cultures, and communities.

Graduates from the Nipissing Post-Baccalaureate Diploma (PBD) in Health and Social Impact will have a wide range of career options. Examples include, but are not limited to: management and frontline leadership roles in community-based organizations, not-for-profit, and public sector programs; consultancy in health and social policy analysis, programming and services, evaluation and implementation science, or applied research. This program may also appeal to those already working in front-line services, interested in progressing in health and social service and system navigation roles.

What does my first year look like?

The PBD in Health and Social Impact is a 2-year program with January and September intakes. Students take 36 required credits with an additional 12 credits selected from a wide range of course options. During their first year, students can expect to focus on topics like health psychology, health care and health policy, Indigenous health, health equity, health and family, and methodology/program evaluation courses. Several elective options will enable students to more closely examine areas of personal interest, for example healthy aging and gerontology, housing/and homelessness, urban health, or bioethics, among others. Eligible students may also elect to engage in active and experiential learning, in collaboration with our community partners.

Admission Requirements

Students must have an undergraduate degree with a GPA of 70% or higher and meet English language proficiency requirements.

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