

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

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HUMAN SCIENCES



This 1-credit course offers opportunities to learn how human sciences research is being developed into valuable programs, tools and products for individuals, families, and communities. In the course, students will review materials that exemplify effective public engagement, receive guest lectures from translational human sciences faculty and graduate students, and share their own public engagement experiences and interests.

EXAMPLES OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PROJECTS IN THE COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

Children, Family and Relationships

- ✓ Delivering fatherhood programs in community settings
- ✓ Partnering with pediatricians to support shared book reading in early childhood
- ✓ Facilitating parenting education groups across childhood and adolescence
- ✓ Creating and evaluating community education programs for self-care and healthy relationships
- ✓ Understanding how relationships may protect against negative health outcomes

Financial Management

- ✓ Conducting research-based personal finance and workforce development educational interventions for youth and adults
- ✓ Improving households' financial well-being and wealth management efficiencies through applied research on household financial decision-making, investment and retirement planning, philanthropic giving, and charitable contributions

Nutrition and Health

- ✓ Empowering underrepresented populations to address nutrition-related chronic diseases
- ✓ Connecting history of depression and complex trauma to food and weight concerns of women
- ✓ Establishing a safe dining environment for consumers with food allergies
- ✓ Tracking pathogen transmission through the built environment

Design and Technology

- ✓ Delivering messages effectively in the digital environment through innovative technologies
- ✓ Leading edge technology application to digital and sustainable product design and development
- ✓ Designing to respond to today's most pressing global health and quality of life challenges
- ✓ Using design as a tool for social justice through community advocacy and inclusion

HUSC 3970-Public Engagement with the Human Sciences

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Wednesdays 10:00-10:50 am (location 215 RANE Culinary Center)