# **Degree Exploration Guide**

https://brocku.ca/hlsc/guides



# Community Health

Community Health supports the safety, security and health of all people. Pursue a dynamic career that addresses a diversity of clinical and community health challenges.

### A Career Options

#### **Administration & Management:**

Work for private and not-for-profit health organizations that deliver services to at-risk and under-served populations.

#### Community Health Promotion:

Help end health inequities, enhance mental and physical health, combat diseases, make work sites safe, and improve living conditions.

#### **Global Health:**

Engage with community leaders and citizens in Canada and around the world. Work toward gender equality, better health outcomes for women and children, safe recovery from disasters, and greater access to healthy sanitation and clean water.

#### **Policy and Research Support:**

In a government setting, team up with colleagues to identify health trends and explore public health consequences of policies.

\*Some options may require further education





# **Employability Skills**

Community health professionals draw on a range of knowledge, skills, and competencies. They work independently, and also within teams. They successfully collaborate with diverse groups and professions. Flexible, strategic thinking and critical problem-solving are vital assets. The experience gained during your undergraduate training prepares you to effectively communicate ideas to diverse audiences, and translate knowledge into health policy, programming, products, and services. It is always there as your foundation. Equipped with your Brock degree, you are ready to serve the people and populations that you care about.

#### **Brock Competencies**

- 🏚 Act Innovatively
- Apply Knowledge
- **Q** Harness Curiosity
- **a** Collaborate Effectively
- Communicate Authentically
- Embrace Cultural Diversity
- S Practice Intercultural Fluency
- Think Critically

### Career Resources

There are a number of student resources to help you on your career, but with so many career options, it can be overwhelming to know where to look! Consulting job boards on professional associations, government websites, and checking out the Brock CareerZone regularly can be good starting points. In addition, faculty and staff in the Department of Health Sciences are willing to chat and connect you to recent alumni as well.

# Advancing Your Career

Professional colleges determine what education and competencies are necessary for professional practice in a province, territory or nation. They regulate and set standards of practice to serve the best interests of the public. The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care website provides a list of Regulated Health Professions. Other provinces/regions set out their own regulations, so be sure to check what you need to work in your desired field.

Professional Associations and many employers are focused on advancing the professional interests of their members/ staff and the profession as a whole. Many offer student placements and career portals.





# † Experience More

Experiential Education (EE) is a game changer! EE can be incorporated into your Brock experience through your courses or co-curricular. These opportunities are all unique and give you the chance to contribute to your profession through real world experiences. Connect with Janet Westbury (jwestbury@brocku.ca) to learn more about EE opportunities at Brock, in the local community, and internationally.

Details at https://brocku.ca/ccee/hlsc

### **m** Continuing Career & Educational Pathways

As you complete your degree, it might be time to confirm requirements for applications to professional programs or full-time jobs, and to get your resume ready. If you hope to attend graduate school, remember that you need to complete a four-year undergraduate degree. Your professors are glad to talk with you about next steps. Please don't hesitate to reach out!

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