Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior (HPEB) Minor and Nutrition and Food Systems (NFS) Minor FAQs

Q1. I would like to declare a minor in HPEB/NFS. How do I do this?

Thank you for your interest in our minors. If you would like to declare a HPEB or NFS minor, please make an appointment with your major advisor who will be able to confirm that you meet any program eligibility requirements (i.e., HPEB requires that you have an overall 2.75 GPA prior to declaring the minor) and submit the request.

Q2. I need to take HPEB 300 and HPEB 553 for my HPEB minor, but haven’t declared the minor yet. Can I enroll in these courses during registration?

No. Enrollment in these two courses are restricted to public health majors and HPEB minors. To ensure that you can enroll during the registration period, please schedule an appointment with your major advisor at the beginning of the semester, well before the registration period begins.

Q3. I am trying to enroll in an HPEB class, but the class is full. Can I get an override?

No, unless you are a graduating senior who needs the course to graduate in your major (public health) or minor (HPEB/NFS) in the term you are trying to enroll. These requests should be rare, since graduating seniors are provided seniority in registration and are allowed to register first.

If you are a graduating senior who meets these requirements, please e-mail Dr. Walsemann with your name, VIP ID, the CRN of the course, your major/minor, and your major advisor’s name/contact information. Dr. Walsemann will confirm with your major advisor that you will be graduating in that academic term before granting any override requests.

Please do not contact the instructor of the course to request an override.

Q4. Does the department policy on overrides apply to online courses?

Yes. Enrollment caps are determined by multiple factors, not just by room capacity.

Q5. I’m a HPEB minor, do I need to take HPEB 300 and HPEB 553 before I take the other minor requirements?
No. The HPEB minor is not sequenced and course numbers do not designate sequencing of content. You should feel free to enroll in any of the elective courses listed in the HPEB minor prior to completing HPEB 300 or HPEB 553.

Q6. I’m a nursing student who needs to complete my HPEB minor coursework before my upper division nursing courses begin. Is this possible?

Because the HPEB minor shares two required courses with the public health major (i.e., HPEB 300 and HPEB 553), it can be challenging to complete these two courses by your junior year as these courses are often at capacity by the end of the first few days of registration. We offer HPEB 300 and 553 as online summer courses, which provides students with flexibility in course sequencing, but may or may not work with your major’s clinical requirements.

Please keep in mind that per our department policy, we do not provide course overrides unless the student is a graduating senior who needs the course to graduate in the term they are trying to enroll.