The Program in Poverty, Justice, and Human Capabilities (PJHC) provides students with a multifaceted understanding of human well-being, both in the US and internationally. PJHC collaborates with a number of departments and centers, including the Center for the Study of Women, Gender, and Sexuality (CSWGS) where it is housed, to offer Rice undergraduates the PJHC minor.

This unique interdisciplinary minor emphasizes a “capabilities approach,” which considers what people are able to do and be, such as live to old age and engage in economic and political activities, rather than considering strictly what material goods they possess or do not possess.

The PJHC minor combines high-caliber undergraduate courses with service-learning experiences for students to work with agencies that help people and disadvantaged communities in Houston, throughout the United States, and abroad. Through academic and experiential learning opportunities, students explore a deeper understanding of the structural factors underlying poverty, human well-being, and potential policy solutions.

PJHC minor requirements include:

- A minimum of six (6) courses, or eighteen (18) credit hours.
- Two required core courses: PJHC 371 and PJHC 394.
- Three electives, with one from each of the following categories: Global South, Race and Ethnicity, and General (a broad list including courses from a variety of departments).
- One of five capstone options: (i) PJHC 470, (ii) HIST 421, (iii) HIST 484, (iv) SOCI 469 & SOCI 470, or (v) SWGS 494, SWGS 496, & SWGS 497.
- Three PJHC service credits from direct service-learning experiences. Declared minors are eligible to participate in these service-learning experiences after completing PJHC 371 and at least one approved elective.

To see a complete list of approved elective courses, visit: https://cswgs.rice.edu/academics/undergraduate-programs/pjhc

**PJHC MINOR REQUIRED CORE COURSES**

**PJHC 371**  
**Poverty, Justice, and Human Capabilities**  
This course provides an overview of the study of poverty, justice, and human capabilities. The course considers theory and economic policy oriented toward improving human well-being in the US, Asia, Africa, and other regions. Readings address not just material deprivations but also gender, racial and ethnic disparities, health status, education, human rights, and political freedoms.

**PJHC 394**  
**Human Development in Global and Local Communities**  
This course explores poverty and gender in local and global communities. Readings consider human deprivations and well-being in the context of social norms, gender relations, and governmental structures. Also examined are policies meant to improve human capabilities, including both the overall effects of such policies and their differential consequences for children, women, and men.

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# PJHC Minor
## Fall 2021 Course List

### Intro Core Course
PJHC 371: POVERTY, JUSTICE, & HUMAN CAPABILITIES  
STRASSMANN & WARD ~ 10:50AM - 12:05PM TR

### Race and Ethnicity Electives
ANTH 443: ANTHROPOLOGY OF RACE, ETHNICITY & HEALTH  
MITCHELL ~ 1:30PM - 3:59PM W
EDUC 304: RACE, CLASS, GENDER IN EDUCATION  
CREDIT ~ 6:00PM - 9:05PM W
HIST 111: RED, WHITE & BLACK IN EARLY AMERICA CREATING RACIAL IDENTITIES IN THE ERA OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
SIDBURY ~ 9:00AM - 9:50AM MWF
HIST 216: BLACK LIFE IN NINETEENTH-CENTURY UNITED STATES  
YARBROUGH ~ 1:00PM - 1:50PM MWF
HIST 220: MEXICO: 1920 TO PRESENT  
LOPEZ-ALONSO ~ 11:00AM - 11:50AM MWF
HIST 228: MODERN LATIN AMERICA  
SUAREZ-POTTS ~ 9:25AM - 10:40AM TR
HIST 295: THE AMERICAN SOUTH  
KISNER ~ 10:00AM - 10:50AM MWF
HIST 312: ENVIRONMENT, MEDICINE, & PUBLIC HEALTH IN LATIN AMERICA  
LOPEZ-ALONSO ~ 3:00PM - 3:50PM MWF

### HIST 342: MODERN CHINA  
BROAD ~ 3:00PM - 3:50PM MWF

### HIST 478: TOPICS IN LATIN AMERICA HISTORY  
CORREA OCHOA ~ 2:30PM - 5:00PM T

### POLI 325: AFRICAN AMERICAN POLITICS  
HAYES ~ 2:00PM - 3:15PM MW

### SOCI 301: SOCIAL INEQUALITY  
BRYAN ~ 9:25AM - 10:40AM TR  
BRYAN ~ 2:30PM - 3:45PM TR

### SOCI 389: RACE, GENDER, CLASS IN FILM  
BRATTER ~ 2:30PM - 3:45PM TR

### SOCI 437: SOCIOLOGY OF EDUCATION  
TURLEY ~ 2:00PM - 4:50PM W

### SOCI 451: IMMIGRATION IN A GLOBAL WORLD  
ECKLUND ~ 1:00PM - 3:50PM R

### General Electives
BIOS 122: BIOLOGY FOR VOTERS  
CAPRETTE ~ 10:50AM - 12:05PM TR
ECON 481: HEALTH ECONOMICS  
HO ~ 9:25AM - 10:40AM TR
GLHT 201: INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL HEALTH  
TAYLOR ~ 2:30PM - 3:45PM TR
HEAL 222: PRINCIPLES OF PUBLIC & COMMUNITY HEALTH  
PERKINS ~ 9:00AM - 9:50AM MWF
HEAL 380: DISPARITIES IN HEALTH IN AMERICA  
DIEP ~ 1:00PM - 2:15PM TR

### PHIL 370: SOCIAL & POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY  
SHER ~ 1:00PM - 1:50PM MWF

### POLI 260: ADVOCATING FOR IDEAS TO CHANGE THE WORLD  
VANN ~ 1:00PM - 2:15PM TR

### POLI 378: POLITICS OF AMERICAN NATIONAL SECURITY  
STOLL ~ 1:00PM - 2:15PM TR

### SOCI 425: POPULATION HEALTH SEMINAR  
GORMAN ~ 1:00PM - 3:50PM TR

### SWGS 101: INTRODUCTION TO WOMEN & GENDER  
WILDENTHAL ~ 9:00AM - 9:50AM MWF  
THOMAS ~ 2:30PM - 3:45PM TR
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