



What is the human cost of the fruit on your table? What does a smartphone mean to the person who made it?

SPPH 381B: The Human Cost of Everyday Things: Occupational Health in the Global Supply Chain will examine how the production of common everyday items touches the lives of the people who work along global supply chains. The course will look at common occupational diseases and their causes, workplaces hazards and how they are assessed, and how those hazards can be reduced or eliminated through design, engineering and other means.

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We work with communities to improve the health and well-being of everyone.

The School of Population and Public Health has a number of undergraduate courses which provide an introduction to some of the foundational principles, ideas, and skills of this critical area. Find out below how to begin your career in working for the health of all.



SPPH 200: Understanding the Sociocultural Determinants of the Health of Populations reveals how employment, poverty, education, early child development, and access to housing affect health. This is an interactive and thought-provoking course that challenges traditional views on health.



SPPH 300: Working in International Health is an online course which aims to equip students with an understanding of the concepts and issues of working in this field, the knowledge and attitudes required for culturally sensitive and safe practice of global health, and information about the roles you could play.



SPPH 302: Topics in Health Informatics for Health/Life Sciences Students explores how information technology can make health care more efficient and safe in hospitals, laboratories, pharmacies, and at home. This fast-paced course offers hands-on experience, and is interactive and fun.



SPPH 410: Improving Public Health: an Interprofessional Approach to Designing and Implementing Effective Interventions involves student teams collaborating to identify and research a public health issue, then develop a practical intervention, mirroring real-life challenges in this area.



SPPH 481B: Public Health Ethics looks at ethical issues related to health at a community level, and interventions by governments or other social organizations to promote it, including current issues in the field such as the ethics of modifying high-risk behaviors like smoking.



SPPH 481C: Prison Health aims to educate students from a variety of disciplines about how to respond to health issues within the Canadian correctional system. Students will learn about the complexities of prison health and gain skills needed to apply inter-disciplinary approaches to prison health care.

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