MSCP: Concentration in Health Economics

Description
The health economics concentration is intended to provide students with an in-depth understanding of the financing and organization of health care. The emphasis of the concentration is the methodology of health economics including theoretical models of patient, physician and health care organization behavior and the empirical examination of model predictions. The concentration requires the completion of 10 courses. This includes four courses in addition to the completion of the M.S. in Public Health Sciences core requirements (6 courses). This is one course more than the usual 9 course requirement for the degree. Students who have already completed a graduate level course in intermediate microeconomics could complete the Concentration in Health Economics with 9 courses.

Coursework
Core Courses. The six core courses required to fulfill the Masters in Public Health Sciences must include the following course:

(1) PBHS 35100/SSAD 46300 - Health Services Research Methods

And four courses in health economics such as:

(1) PPHA 32300/PPHA 32400 - Principles of Microeconomics and Public Policy or equivalent intermediate graduate microeconomics coursework with calculus (some students may place out of this on the basis of prior coursework)  
(2) PBHS 45610/SSAD 45600 – Policy Analysis: Methods and Applications  
(3) PBHS 35411/SSAD 47512 – The U. S. Health Care System  
(4) PBHS 38100 - Economics of Health Care

Health economics course selections must be approved by Rena Conti, PhD.