Brief description (200 words or less of course details):

The elective will introduce UMMS medical, nursing, and biomedical science students to a broad range of public health issues affecting the community in which they live, study, and train by actually going out into the community and experiencing the resources for yourself. At each session, students will have the opportunity to interact and network with students from other health professions and engage in a discussion specific to that session. Through site visits and on-campus speaker sessions, students will also have a chance to meet and interact with current professional experts in the field who are passionate about improving community health.

Semester offered:  Spring

Registration information:  Contact student leaders below

Requirements for credit:

Completion of 5/7 classes plus participation in community service activity (and written reflection addressing "What did you learn from this experience, and how has it changed your understanding of the health care system locally?", “After having sampled some different pieces of the bigger health care system in Worcester, what are some deficiencies that you observed, and what suggestions do you have on how to remedy these?”)

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Offered in this academic year:  YES