

What Can I Do with a Major in **INTEGRATIVE HEALTH & HEALING?**

Integrative Health is also known as holistic, complementary, or alternative medicine. The theory behind integrative or holistic health is that the interrelated parts of a being must be recognized as a whole to promote the healing process. Physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual aspects are essential for well-being. When one is disrupted, the others suffer as well. When we find that we are off balance, it is essential to look at each of these four elements that make up the whole being until we identify which aspect is the root cause. Then we can implement an integrative approach through various healing modalities to create balance and harmony. A primary concept within the field is that conventional (allopathic) and complementary (alternative) treatments should be combined or blended to optimize the benefits of both medical systems.

Career Preparation

The IHH program is designed to be broad and to provide a general background for students interested in integrative health but have not yet decided which specific healthcare field they intend to pursue at the upper-division level. Pursuing private practice after completion of the IHH program may require additional training.

Related Occupations

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Animal Holistic Care	Herbalist	Music for Healing
Acupuncturist	Holistic Health Educator	Naturopathic Physician
Aromatherapist	Holistic Mental Health	Pain-relief Specialist
Author	Holistic Nutritionist	Skin Care Clinic Coordinator
Chiropractor	Homeopathic Practitioner	Pain-relief Specialist
Day Spa Coordinator	Hypnotherapist	Reiki Practitioner
Dietician	Lifestyle Coach	Sports Nutrition Specialist
Doula	Massage Therapist	Supplement Consultant
Energy Healing	Meditation Specialist	Traditional Chinese Medicine
Health & Wellness Coach	Midwife	Wellness Advocate
Health Food Store Manager	Mind/Body Healing	Yoga Instructor

Related Major Skills

Interpersonal Communication & Active Listening	Engage in Ethical Practice
Able to Observe, Analyze, & Interpret Information	Problem Solving & Decision Making
Concern for and Sensitivity to Others	Teach others how to do something
Critical and Inferential Thinking	Time Management

Who Hires for this Occupation?

Wellness centers, birthing centers, hospitals, hospices, human service agencies, counseling centers, outpatient mental health centers, businesses, colleges & universities, and veterinarian clinics. Many individuals in this field also work in private practice.

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Visit <u>FOCUS2</u> (use ARCC credentials to sign-in) for more information regarding **related occupations and average salaries** and explore **other related majors.** You can also take **assessments** to match your skills, interests, and values to potential careers and majors.



MN Colleges and Universities with a major in INTEGRATIVE HEALTH & HEALING?

American Academy of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine
St. Catherine's University (Master of Arts in Holistic Health Studies)
University of Minnesota (Master of Arts in Integrative Health and Wellbeing Coaching)

Anoka-Ramsey Community College offers an <u>Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences Degree</u> with general education courses that typically transfer as all or part of the first two years of a baccalaureate degree.

Anoka-Ramsey Community College offers an <u>Integrative Health & Healing Associate of Science Degree</u> program designed for students interested in preparing for entry-level positions..

Search for majors and colleges at Minnesota State System Colleges and University.

Professional Association Links

Academy of Integrative Health & Medicine

American Academy of Pain Management

American Art Therapy Association

American Association of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine

American Association of Naturopathic Physicians

American Association of Nutritional Consultants

American Chiropractic Association

American Counseling Association

American Herbalists Guild

American Holistic Health Association

American Holistic Nurses Association

American Massage Therapy Association

American Music Therapy Association

American Society of Clinical Hypnosis

Childbirth and Postpartum Professional Association

International Association of Administrative Professionals

International Association of Yoga Therapists

Midwives Alliance North America

Minnesota Holistic Nursing Association

Minnesota Holistic Medicine Group

National Association for Holistic Aromatherapy

National Association of Complementary and Alternative Medicines

National Association of Nutrition Professionals

National Center for Homeopathy

Therapeutic Touch International Association

For More Information

Contact ARCC Counseling (Coon Rapids and Cambridge) at (763) 433-1100 or stop by the campus Information Desk

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