



Cornell University
College of Human Ecology

MEDICINE, LAW, BUSINESS, DESIGN: A HUMAN PERSPECTIVE

While the programs in the College of Human Ecology are focused on pre-professional study, there is no prescribed pre-med, pre-business, or pre-law major, or one way to be creative in the college or at Cornell University— any major allows students to take prerequisite courses for professional and graduate school.

Students in Human Ecology preparing for health-related careers receive an education that focuses on prevention and wellness. Our students are confident in their preparation for medical school and for lives as health professionals, because they are effective communicators who can incorporate multiple perspectives and critically consider the social and environmental factors that play a role in human health.

Those considering law school will choose a major and curricular experiences that emphasize strong analytical thinking, logical reasoning, and effective communication. Human Ecology students understand the social aspects and human dimensions of the law and are motivated to use their legal education to exact positive change in the world.

Understanding the role of business in a global society and the factors that influence consumer behavior are essential in today's markets. Along with traditional skills, Human Ecology students are taught to analyze problems, see possibilities, and develop solutions without losing sight of the human component.

Human Ecology students interested in design careers understand the impact that design has on how we interact with materials and everyday objects, and live within spaces. Beyond problem-solving, our students use planning, resource management, changing technologies, and the strategic use of creativity to transform society.