

OUR PROGRAM

We are looking for a diverse pool of applicants who are interested in developing new knowledge and insights to drive positive social change.

The *Behavioral Health Concentration* focuses on the intersection and linkage of health, behavior, and systems of care, targeting alcohol, drugs, and mental health issues.

We consider systems of care, including health care delivery, as well as criminal legal, education, social services, housing, military, and the workplace.

Students will study and apply rigorous research standards to improve behavioral health practices and policies.



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PhD in Social Policy
**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
CONCENTRATION**
NIAAA Training Fellowship

PHD STUDENTS LEARN

research skills necessary to make a significant contribution to behavioral health and social service systems

integrated, multidisciplinary approach to social policy that offers comprehensive and practical training

knowledge that can improve people's lives and affect structural change, particularly for marginalized populations

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Many people experience mental health or substance use problems:



Prevention and treatment services are available, but access, quality and outcomes can still be improved.

Research opportunities

Collaborative Community

Real world research

Interactive classes & seminars

Build research & analytical skills

Highly respected faculty

Meaningful mentor relationships

**Knowledge
Advancing
Social Justice**

FROM OUR STUDENTS

"A PhD from the Heller School will open doors for you to influence policy to promote social justice."

"Faculty are concerned for students holistically (in all domains of life), mentorship is widely available and enriches the student experience."

"The Heller community has challenged my thinking while helping to create a collaborative and supportive environment."

"I can truly absorb its motto, 'knowledge advancing social justice.' I am learning the skills needed to reduce the disparities in substance use disorders treatment."

"My time at Heller has certainly been one of the most enlightening experiences in my career, and in my life."

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