Behavioural and Social Science

Behavioural and Social Sciences are woven within the undergraduate medical education program to support students in developing a biopsychosocial framework perspective towards medical practice. Components within this integrated curricular theme are incorporated within several vertical themes and most courses/segments of the UGME program. The behavioural and Social Science curriculum includes a spectrum of learning around the following:

Self-directed and Life-long Learning Skill Development
Information Literacy and Research (quantitative, qualitative, mixed methods)
Canadian Indigenous/Aboriginal Health and History
Cultural Diversity and Safety
Gender/Sexual Diversity and Safety
The Human Life Course (conception to death)
Mental Health and Stigma
Patient and Family Centered Care (PFCC)
Law and Ethics in Medicine
Health Systems and Health Policy
Quality Improvement/Quality Assurance
Professional Development towards Non-Medical Expert CanMEDS roles
(Communicator, Collaborator, Scholar, Leader, Professional)
Interviewing and Communication Skills
Arts and Humanities