MEDICINE AND SOCIETY 2007-2008
COURSE SCHEDULE, SESSIONS, AND READINGS

A course syllabus is provided online at: http://curriculum.med.unc.edu/ms1/medisoc/course_day_view
Readings that are in the required three volume text *The Social Medicine Reader (SMR)* are so indicated. You will be linked to some readings via the electronic syllabus.

Individual seminar instructors may vary in their selections of readings from among these below.

All seminars are scheduled from 10:30 am until 11:50 am unless noted

Session 1: August 15, 2007  Lecture: Barry Saunders, MD, PhD  Sue Estroff, PhD
G202 Medical Biomolecular Research Building
10:30 – 11:00 am
Seminar: Assigned Seminar Rooms 11:00 – 11:50 am

INTRODUCTION TO THE COURSE  
EXPECTATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Session 2: August 22, 2007  Seminar

EXPERIENCING ILLNESS

Readings:


PERSONAL ILLNESS NARRATIVE ASSIGNED
Session 3: August 29, 2007 Seminar

CULTURAL DIMENSIONS OF ILLNESS AND HEALTH

Readings:


HOME VISIT ASSIGNED

Reading:


Session 4: September 5, 2007 Seminar

FAMILIES AND ILLNESS

Readings:


**Session 5: September 19, 2007 Seminar**

**RACE, ETHNICITY AND THE BIOCULTURAL**

Readings:


**PERSONAL ILLNESS NARRATIVE DUE**

**Session 6: September 26, 2007 Lecture: Gail Henderson, PhD**

**UNEQUAL EPIDEMIC IN AN UNEQUAL WORLD: THE CASE OF HIV/AIDS**

Readings:


Session 7: October 17, 2007 Seminar

GENDER

Readings:


Session 8: October 24, 2007 Seminar

DEATH AND CULTURE

Readings:


Session 9: October 31, 2007 Seminar

SACRED PRACTICES AND HEALTH

Readings:


**Session 10: November 7, 2007 Seminar**

**CLASSIFICATION: LABELING, DIAGNOSING, MEDICALIZING**

Readings:

1. Patrick, Donald and Sue Estroff, “Medicalization, Labeling and Stigma.”


**Session 11: November 14, 2007 Seminar**

**CHRONIC ILLNESS, DIFFERENCE, DISABILITIES, STIGMA**

Readings:


**Other readings TBA (See Syllabus Resources)**
Session 12: November 28, 2007 Seminar

CULTURES OF BIOMEDICINE I: EVIDENCE AND WAYS OF KNOWING

Readings:


Session 13: December 5, 2007 Seminar

CULTURES OF BIOMEDICINE II; CLINICAL LEARNING

Readings:


HOME VISIT ESSAY DUE
Session 14: January 2, 2008 Seminar

BOUNDARIES: POLITICS, MARKETS, AND MISSIONS OF MEDICINE

Reading:


See Cases online in Course Resources

Session 15: January 9, 2008 Seminar

MEDICAL ETHICS

Readings:


Session 16: January 16, 2008 Seminar

TRUTHTELLING AND CONSENT

Readings:


*ETHICS ESSAY ASSIGNED*
Session 17: January 23, 2008  Seminar

PRIVACY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

Readings:


Session 18: January 30, 2008  Lecture/Debate:

PARENTS, INFANT, DOCTORS: ETHICS AT THE BEGINNING OF LIFE

Reading:


Session 19: February 6, 2008  Seminar

RESEARCH ETHICS: BOUNDARIES OF MEDICAL PROGRESS

Readings:


Session 20: February 13, 2008 Seminar

DEATH MANAGEMENT IN CONTEMPORARY AMERICA

Readings:


Session 21: February 20, 2008 Seminar

RESOURCE CHOICES: RATIONING AND THE PHYSICIAN'S ROLE

Readings:


PRACTICE OBSERVATION EXERCISE INTRODUCED

Session 22: February 27, 2008 Seminar

HEALTH INSURANCE IN AMERICA: A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

Reading:

Madison, Donald, “From Bismarck to Medicare-A Brief History of Medical Care Payment in America,” in Vol. III, SMR, pp. 31-66.

HEALTH CARE REFORM EXERCISE INTRODUCED

ETHICS ESSAY DUE

Session 23: March 26, 2008 Lecture: Jonathan Oberlander, PhD

HEALTH CARE REFORM AND THE UNINSURED

Reading:


Session 24: April 2, 2008 Seminar*

*Assigned rooms for each role will be posted on the Medicine and Society Forum.

HEALTH CARE REFORM EXERCISE: ROLE CAUCUSES

Readings:

Role readings and briefing materials online

April 7, 2008 PRACTICE OBSERVATION INFORMATION DUE

Session 25: April 9, 2008 Seminar *9:30 – 11:50am

HEALTH CARE REFORM EXERCISE
ROLE BRIEFING DUE

Session 26: April 16, 2008 Seminar

ISSUES IN COMMUNITY PRACTICE AND THE HEALTH CARE MARKET

And COURSE EVALUATION

Readings:
