

# ANTH/SOCI/CFB 3301

## Health, Healing, and Ethics: Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Sickness and Society



This course is an exploration of health and healing from a medical anthropology perspective that ventures into and beyond standard biomedical ideologies and disease dynamics to consider ecological, evolutionary and cultural systems that impact health. During this course, we will compare various cultures and societies in terms of their patterns of health and disease, their ecological systems, and their beliefs about (and management of) illness. We will examine health and ethics in cross-cultural perspectives and investigate practical applications of cultural competency to address contemporary health

and ethical issues. We will investigate health disparities associated with gender, socioeconomic status and race/ethnicity. Throughout this course, we review the most recent, interdisciplinary research being conducted by medical anthropologists in collaboration with immunologists, neurologists, geneticists and alternative medical practitioners. Finally, this course emphasizes the value of anthropological concepts and research methods in the study of health.



*T 6:30 -- 9:20pm*

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