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Office hours: TBD

Please be sure to read this syllabus carefully, you are responsible for everything on it.

Internet Access: All students must have a University of Hawaii email account and regular access to the internet. Your grade will depend on your timely submission of work and technical problems will not excuse late work. Be sure to have a back up plan in case of any problems.

Laulima access: Each student is to have access and know how to use to the Laulima site (formerly WebCT) for quizzes and other assignments. For tutorials, please contact http://www.hawaii.edu/talent/laulima_students.htm. For any problems, you will need to contact UH-ITS.

Course Content: This course will examine the social factors of disease, illness, death, and health care in the United States.

Student Learning Objectives
Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

✓ Recognize and discuss class, gender and cultural aspects of medical sociology.
✓ Effectively communicate understanding by writing on health topics.
✓ Evaluate macro- and micro-level factors that influence health in our society
✓ Compare and contrast issues and theories using a sociological point of view
✓ Discuss issues and concerns related to health

Required Texts:
Sociology of Health, Healing and Illness, 6th edition
Weiss & Lonnquist
Prentice Hall | Paper; 416 pp

This book is also available as an e-book from Prentice Hall:
http://www.coursesmart.com/9780132448376

Please note: you only need either the actual book or the e-book. Do not buy both.

There will also be assigned readings from medical and sociology journals that you will access online.
Exams (70%):
- There will be a quiz following each chapter in the text. You will have a specified amount of time in which to take the quiz and there are no make up quizzes. (20%)
- There will be a midterm and a final. (25% each)

Written Assignments (20%):
*Please write each of your submissions outside of Laulima and then cut and paste your submission into the correct folder.*
- There will be 2 writing assignments during the semester:
  - 2 – 750 word essays discussing an aspect of the readings for the week. These essays will show an understanding of the materials and be critical of them or advance an argument made in the readings. One of the essays must be completed before the midterm and one after the midterm. Essays are to be submitted (via Laulima/Sakai) within 5 days of completing that section or chapter.
- Papers must be typed and written at a college level. Those who have writing difficulties are encouraged to contact the UH Manoa Writing Program (http://www.mwp.hawaii.edu/writer_help.htm).

Extra Credit: There will be no opportunities for extra credit in this class.

Attendance and Participation (10%): Each week there will be a discussion question and students are expected to participate in the weekly on-line discussions in a substantive manner. This means that discussion points will not be awarded to entries that simply agree with previous entries; you must add to the discussion. Your attendance and participation grade will be based on the on-line discussion.

Conduct: All students are encouraged to voice their thoughts and opinions on discussion topics but must be respectful, and on topic. No flaming or trolling of participants. (Use Google to search for those terms if you don’t recognize them.)

Students are responsible for ALL information (due dates, reading assignments, discussion board topics, calendar entries, announcements). The schedule is subject to change.

Final Grade Breakdown:
- 10% Participation in weekly discussion and submitting work on time
- 20% 2 course papers
- 70% chapter quizzes, midterm and final

Final grades will be calculated on the percentage of points earned:

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**ADA statement**
Any student who feels s/he may need an accommodation based on the impact of a disability is invited to contact me privately. I would be happy to work with you, and the KOKUA Program (Office for Students with Disabilities) to ensure reasonable accommodations in my course. KOKUA can be reached at (808) 956-7511 or (808) 956-7612 (voice/text) in room 013 of the Queen Lili'uokalani Center for Student Services.

**Student Conduct**
“Plagiarism includes but is not limited to submitting, in fulfillment of an academic requirement, any work that has been copied in whole or in part from another individual's work without attributing that borrowed portion to the individual; neglecting to identify as a quotation another's idea and particular phrasing that was not assimilated into the student's language and style or paraphrasing a passage so that the reader is misled as to the source; submitting the same written or oral or artistic material in more than one course without obtaining authorization from the instructors involved; or "drylabbing," which includes obtaining and using experimental data and laboratory write-ups from other sections of a course or from previous terms.” (University of Hawaii at Manoa, Student Conduct Code, Section H. Academic Dishonesty, Part 2, Page 6).