**ANTH3550 Medical Anthropology Winter 2023 Short Syllabus (subject to revision)**

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**Course Description:**

In this course, we will explore anthropological perspectives to help us better understand human health issues. Following the World Health Organizations’ “One Health” initiative, we will examine the intersections among health, vulnerability to disease, environment, and culture. We will explore various theoretical perspectives, including Critical Medical Anthropology, Post-Colonial Theory, Postmodernist, and Feminist Theory, to understand specific topics, including human rights and health, Indigenous medical systems, infectious diseases, mental health, gender identity, environmental racism, and nutrition. Students will be able to select from a list of ethnographies and topics for their research paper and develop a social marketing project related to a specific public health concern of their choosing.

**Delivery:**

In-person.

**Learning Outcomes:**

* Analyze, evaluate, and apply anthropological theories to address contemporary, historical, social, and global issues related to health and illness.
* Analyze and evaluate quantitative and qualitative research in anthropology and the social sciences generally.
* Critically reflect on culture, social relations, and social structures in order to develop a broader and more in-depth understanding of social problems.
* Communicate effectively, accurately, and professionally, in traditional and innovative written and oral forms, including visual and technological.
* Demonstrate personal, professional, and academic integrity and ethical reasoning
* Demonstrate leadership, teamwork, accountability, personal organization, and time management.

**Required Readings:**

Adelson, Naomi (2000) *Being Alive Well: Health and the Politics of Cree Well-Being*

Joralemon, D(2017) *Exploring Medical Anthropology (possibly, not definite yet)*

**Select Journal Articles**and

**ONE of the following ethnographies:**

Farmer, Paul (1992) *AIDS and Accusation: Haiti and the Geography of Blame*

*OR*

Briggs, C (2003) *Stories in the Time of Cholera*

**Evaluation:**

Short Response Papers (2 @ 10%) 30%

Weekly Quizzes (10 @2%) 20%

Social Marketing Project 20%

Short Essay 30%

Subject to revision. A finalized syllabus will be provided on the first day of classes.