

**2015 Fall Course Offerings**  
**Health, Medicine and Society**  
**Director: Kelly Austin**



Minor declaration forms are available in the Office of Interdisciplinary Programs

**BIOS 010-10 BioScience in the 21st Century** 4 credits (NS) HMS Attribute  
 Professor Ware; M, W, F 10:10 - 11:00 a.m.

**HMS, ENG 115-10 Topics in Literature, Medicine, and Health: We're All Mad Here: The Asylum in Literature** 4 credits (HU)  
 The human mind is a mystery, especially when it comes to mental illness. We confine figures who test the limits of sanity within the material walls of the hospital, but also within the stories we tell about them. This course will focus on depictions of mental illness through literary representations of the asylum, a space that has served medical, judicial, and social needs, all behind closed doors, creating a tension between sanctuary and captivity, fear and a desire to understand. **Professor Kremmel; T, R 1:10 - 2:25 p.m.**

**PSYC, HMS 138-10 Abnormal Psychology** 4 credits (SS)  
 Examines research and theory on the patterns, causes, and treatment of various forms of abnormal behavior. Prerequisite PSYC 001 or consent of instructor. **Professor Lomauro; M, W 7:10 - 8:25 p.m.**

**HMS, SOC 160-10 Medicine and Society** 4 credits (SS) HMS students can register without permission, all others need DEPT approval  
 Health, illness, and the health professions from the sociological perspective. Social epidemiology, social psychology of illness, socialization of health professionals, organization of health care, patient-professional relationships and ethical issues in medical care. **Professor Lasker; T, R 9:20 - 10:35 a.m.**

**HMS 180-10 Introduction to Public Health** 4 credits (SS) HMS students can register without permission, all others need DEPT approval  
 This course provides historical perspective on the contributions and roles of public health; introduces health status indicators of morbidity and mortality, concepts of rate, causation, and public health surveillance and vital statistics; and addresses determinants of health from an environmental, social, behavioral perspective. Aspects of health care delivery will be addressed from a population perspective and organizational structure. **Professor Alang; M, W 11:10 - 12:25 p.m.**

**HMS, STS, HIST 196-10 Food and Health in Modern America** 4 credits (HU)  
 Explore the relationship between food and health in American history, with particular focus on the 19th-21st centuries. Key themes/questions examined will be the interconnection between American ideal of individualism and the popularity of alternative or lay health remedies; the privileging of nature as a curative force; public and governmental concerns with food purity and access; the scientific and popular framing of food as medicine; and the use of health and food consumerism as a marker of class status. **Professor McGrath; M, W 2:35 - 3:50 p.m.**

**\*\* CANCELED \*\* HMS, HIST 198-10 Bring Out Your Dead: Death in American History** 4 credits (HU) CBE Diversity  
 This course surveys the medical, religious, and political attitudes towards death in US history through the study of momentous events and periods of massive loss of life including epidemics, wars, and natural disasters. Students will learn to distinguish major shifts in beliefs regarding mortality, understand changing political and social responses to moments of catastrophe, appreciate varying experiences according to gender, class, and racial differences, and gain insight into how these issues reflected broader transformations in American society and culture. **Professor Tremper; T, R 10:45 - 12:00 p.m.**

**HMS 291-10 Independent Study** 1-4 credits (SS or HU) Instructor permission required  
 Independent research and reading with a faculty member. After receiving initial approval from the HMS director, the student must prepare an independent study proposal, with readings and assignments, in consultation with a professor who agrees to direct the independent study. **Professor Austin**

**HMS 292-10 Supervised Research** 1-4 credits (HU, SS, ND) Instructor permission required  
 Research project under the direct supervision of an HMS faculty member. **Professor Austin**

**HMS 293-10 Internship** 1-8 credits (HU, SS, ND) Instructor permission required  
 Practical experience in the application of health, medicine and society for both on- and off-campus organizations. Course is designed to provide credit for supervised experiential learning experiences. May be repeated for credit up to eight credits. **Professor Austin**

**HMS, PSYC 327-10 Health Psychology** 4 credits (SS) *HMS students can register without permission, all others need PSYC DEPT approval*  
An overview of the topic of health psychology. The course presupposes a preventative intervention approach to the problem of assisting healthy individuals to understand the relationship between behavior and health, and to engage those behaviors that promote health. This course will be underpinned with basic science and research on health psychology, but will include an application focus. Prerequisite: PSYC 001. **Professor Kilp; M, W 8:45 - 10:00 a.m.**

**HMS, WGSS, SOC 341-10 Women and Health** 4 credits (SS) *HMS students can register without permission, all others need DEPT approval*  
Relationships of women to the medical system. Influence of medicine on women's lives and the impact of the women's movement on health care. Pre-requisites ANTH 011, SOC 001, SOC 005, SOC 021, OR PSYC 021  
**Professor Lasker; T, R 1:10 - 2:25 p.m.**

**\*\* CANCELED \*\* HMS, PSYC 349-10 Participatory and Action Research in Psychology** 4 credits (SS) *Department permission through PSYC department*  
Action research is used to understand important real-world social problems and promote social action. Participatory research engages community members as equals to help identify areas of focus and to design studies and interventions. This course provides an overview of the rich history of these approaches in psychology, an in-depth look at how they can be used effectively, and an opportunity to gain hands-on experience. **Professor Burke; M, W 12:45 - 2:00 p.m.**

**HMS, POLS 354-10 U.S. Health Care Politics** 4 credits (SS)  
Explores a range of health care programs and policies and their impacts on American society. Topics include the development of the U.S. approach to health care; public sector plans (Medicare and Medicaid); the role of managed care; the employer-sponsored system; the situation of the medically uninsured; the health care vested interests and lobbyists; movements for national health care; and options for change. **Professor Olson; W, F 12:45 - 2:00 p.m.**

**HMS, PSYC 386-10 Child and Adolescent Health Psychology** 4 credits (SS) *Department permission through PSYC department*  
Focuses on developmental research and theory related to health and wellness issues in children and adolescents. Topics include children's understanding of biology and disease, disease management, medical consent, education and policy efforts to promote children's health. Prerequisite: PSYC 107 or consent of instructor. Department permission required.  
**Professor Barrett; T, R 10:45 - 12:00 p.m.**

**HMS, PSYC 397-10 The Psychology of Trauma** 4 credits (SS) *Department permission through PSYC department*  
The course explores the nature of psychological trauma, including the physiological, emotional, cognitive, behavioral, interpersonal, and developmental impact of exposure to extreme stress and traumatic events. Historical and current perspectives on the individual and cultural effects of trauma will be examined, including the consequences of relational trauma, traumatic loss, injury/illness, crime, combat exposure, terrorism, natural disasters, and vicarious traumatization. Posttraumatic Stress Disorder and related conditions will be explored, as will the nature of effective intervention techniques, recovery, adaptive coping, and resilience. Pre-requisite HMS/PSYC 138. **Professor Lomauro; T 7:10 - 10:00 p.m.**