COURSE DETAIL

ANTHROPOLOGY OF HEALTH AND HEALING
Country United Kingdom - Scotland
Host Institution University of Edinburgh
Program(s) University of Edinburgh
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Anthropology
UCEAP Course Number 150
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title ANTHROPOLOGY OF HEALTH AND HEALING
UCEAP Transcript Title ANTH:HEALTH&HEALING
UCEAP Quarter Units 8.00
UCEAP Semester Units 5.30

Course Description

This course provides an advanced introduction to the anthropology of health, illness, and healing. Students are introduced to key theories and current debates at the interface of anthropology and medicine through a focus on cross-cultural approaches to illness, pain, healing, the body, and care. This course explores biomedicine as one among many ways of thinking through and constituting personhood, illness, and the body. It deals with the challenges that arise when biomedical expertise meets other understandings of illness and suffering; the multiple kinds of care provided in institutional, public, religious and domestic settings; the relationship between curing and healing; and the ways in which people grapple with affliction and uncertainty through narrative, through relationships, and through action.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

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Social Anthropology

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