COURSE DETAIL

MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY
Country Ghana
Host Institution University of Ghana, Legon
Program(s) Explore Ghana,University of Ghana
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Sociology
UCEAP Course Number 105
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY
UCEAP Transcript Title MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY
UCEAP Quarter Units 4.00
UCEAP Semester Units 2.70

Course Description
The course studies the theoretical and practical issues of health and illness. It covers the history of medical sociology and the nature of health care delivery in the Third World, with examples from Ghana. Discussions cover health and illness in the socio-cultural context; the political economy of health care delivery; and the hospital as a social system. Specific topics include the environment, gerontology, maternal and child health, drug abuse, AIDS, and the pharmaceutical industry and its relationship to the Third World. Texts: B. Malinowski, MAGIC, SCIENCE AND RELIGION; H. Becker, BOYS IN WHITE; M. Gelfand, MEDICINE AND CULTURE IN AFRICA; P.A. Twumasi, MEDICAL SYSTEMS IN GHANA; H. Freeman et al., THE STATE, DEVELOPMENT AND POLITICS IN GHANA; P. Wondergen et al., eds., HERBAL MEDICINE AND PRIMARY HEALTH CARE IN GHANA among others. Assessment: attendance, participation, class assignments (30%), final exam (70%).

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Sociology

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