

HS 100 – HEALTH SERVICES ORGANIZATION
SPRING QUARTER 2006
Mondays/Wednesdays, 10:00am - 11:50am
ROOM 33-105 CHS
ROOM 63-105 CHS (Lectures 5/5 & 5/8)
ROOM 13-105 CHS (Lecture 5/15)

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A. Purpose of the Course

This course is designed to give students a basic understanding of American health care delivery. It describes the overall system as well as its component parts, and raises important issues and questions related to the different approaches to health care delivery. It also identifies the trends and forces that are influencing the future directions of the American health care system.

B. Sequence of the Course

The first segment of the course will look at the overall American health care system: how it developed, its present form, its basic components, concepts of health, disease, and illness, and the individual and social factors that influence health care utilization.

The second segment looks at the institutional providers in the American health care system: physicians, hospitals, health departments, ambulatory care, and emerging forms of managed care; and examines issues of access to care and quality of care.

The third segment examines the organization and financing of health care services, including health insurance, public programs, regulation vs. competition, and how they affect long-term care, mental health, and other health services.

The fourth and final segment of the course looks at selected contemporary issues in health services in the contemporary era.

C. Assigned Reading

One text is required for this course: Introduction to Health Services, (6th edition), by Williams and Torrens. It is available in the Health Sciences Bookstore. Several lectures will also require supplementary readings. These will be distributed in class prior to the relevant lecture. **REQUIRED CHAPTERS ARE NOTED ON THE SYLLABUS AND MUST BE READ PRIOR TO THE LECTURE.**

D. EXAMINATIONS AND GRADES

There will be one mid-term exam and a final exam. The final exam will primarily cover material presented after the mid-term exam. Emphasis will be on understanding the general trends and characteristics of the material covered in **lectures**, **discussion sections**, and **assigned readings**. The format will be multiple choice and short answer essay questions. Students will be expected to know some of the important general statistics that are covered in class and in the readings, but the exams will not be an exercise in the memorization of minutiae. Attendance at lecture and discussion sections is required.

Final grades will be determined according to the following weights:

Mid-term exam (45%), Final exam (45%), Discussion section attendance and lecture participation (10%)

HS 100: LECTURES AND READING ASSIGNMENTS

	<i>DATE</i>	<i>TOPIC</i>	<i>LECTURER</i>	<i>READING</i>
		I. OVERVIEW		
1.	4/3/06	Health Services Financing	Mark Litwin	Chap 5
2.	4/5/06	Introduction to the Course; Overview of Health Services	William Cunningham	Chap 1, p. 164-167
3.	4/10/06	History & Development of Health Care in the U.S.	William Cunningham	Chap 1, p.163-64
4.	4/12/06	Health Status and Utilization	William Cunningham	Chap 2 & 4
		II. PROVIDERS		
5.	4/17/06	Managed Care I	William Cunningham	Chap 6
6.	4/19/06	Managed Care II	Pat Parkerton	Chap 6
7.	4/24/06	Hospitals	Paul Torrens	Chap
8.	4/26/06	Access to Healthcare	Ron Andersen	Chap 4, H.O.
9.	5/1/06	Quality of Care / Review of Midterm	William Cunningham	Chap 16, p.141-52
10.	5/3/06	MIDTERM EXAM		
		III. RESOURCES		
11.	5/8/06	Medicare	Gerald Kominski	Chap 5
12.	5/10/06	Medicaid	Kevin Heslin	Chap 5
13.	5/15/06	Public Health Agencies	Ellen Alkon	Chap 8
14.	5/17/06	Regulation & Competition in Health Care Delivery	Tom Rice	Chap 7
15.	5/22/06	Long-Term Care	Nancy Harada	Chap 11
16.	5/24/06	Mental Health Services	Susan Ettner	Chap 12
17.	5/29/06	HOLIDAY		
18.	5/31/06	Overview on Children's Health	Moira Inkelas	
19.	6/5/06	Emerging Issues in Public Health	Robert Kaplan	
20.	6/7/06	Why the American Health System Isn't the World's Best	David Carlisle	
21.		FINAL EXAM WEEK: 6/10-6/16/06		

H.O. = Handouts