PUBH 4234 – International Development in Health

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**Prerequisites:** NONE

**FOLIO Access:** https://my.georgiasouthern.edu/portal/portal.php

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**Catalog Description**

This course will describe key cultural, social, and economic issues and methods in global health, and thus provide essential background for other core courses. The course is interdisciplinary, emphasizing the fields of anthropology, sociology, public health, global health, and critical global health studies. This course explores aspects of health inequalities and demonstrates how the sources of health inequalities (including globalization, the impact of social, economic, and political systems, the local and global economy, transnational organizations, culture, race, class, gender, and sexuality) are rooted in injustices that create and sustain the conditions that lead to disparities in health status and health care both domestically and globally.

**Required Textbook:**


**Required Resource:**


**Performance-Based Objectives Linked to Course Activities (Note: Assessment Activities Described in Next Section)**

At the end of this class, the student will:

1. Describe the political, social, and economic issues that affect the health of global populations.
2. Identify the ethical foundations behind the distribution of wealth and resources and their impact on disparities in health.
3. Compare and contrast sources of health inequalities, including their cause and impact on conditions that lead to health status and healthcare of populations.
4. Examine the impact of poverty and socioeconomic factors on global health injustices.
5. Discuss the importance of measuring health inequalities for assessing global health status.
6. Describe the roles and responsibilities of public health professionals for addressing health inequalities and injustices.
7. Identify ways that geography and natural disasters contributes to global health injustices around the world.

**Assessment of Student Learning**

Students may vary in their ability to achieve levels of competence in this course. Students can expect to achieve course competence only if they honor all course policies, attend classes regularly, complete all assigned work in good faith and on time, and meet all other course expectations of them as students.

**Overview of the content to be covered the semester:**
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| Week 7: 9/24/2018 – 9/30/2018 | Giving Care, Delivering Value, & Health Equity in all Policies | Mukherjee: Chapter 6  
CSDH: Part 3 Chapter 10  
Guest: Dr. Atin Adhikari | Group Assessment: All students will participate in class discussions to share reflections on the readings, with application global health inequities. |
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| Week 8: 10/1/2018 – 10/7/2018 | MIDTERM  
August 14th – October 2nd | MIDTERM: Individual assessment of weeks 1-7  
Individual Assessment: Reflection paper weeks focused on weeks 5-7 |
| Week 9: 10/8/2018 – 10/14/2018 | Human Resources for Health & Community Health Workers | Mukherjee: Chapters 7-8  
Guest: Dr. Evans Afriyie-Gyawu | Group Assessment: All students will participate in class discussions to share reflections on the readings, with application global health inequities. |
| Week 10: 10/15/2018 – 10/21/2018 | Monitoring & Evaluation | Mukherjee: Chapter 10  
CSDH: Chapter 16 | Group Assessment: All students will participate in class discussions to share reflections on the readings, with application global health inequities. |
| Week 11: 10/22/2018 – 10/28/2018 | Universal Health Care | Mukherjee: Chapter 11  
CSDH: Chapter 9  
Guest: Dr. Gulzar Shah | Group Assessment: All students will participate in class discussions to share reflections on the readings, with application global health inequities. |
CSDH: Chapters 11-1  
Guest: Dr. Bettye Apenteng | Individual Assessment: Reflection paper weeks focused on weeks 9-11 |
| Week 13: | Building a Movement | Mukherjee: Chapter 14 | Group Assessment: All students will participate in class discussions to share reflections on the readings, with application global health inequities. |
| **Focus:** | | |
| Week 14: | Governance, Gender Equity | Mukherjee: Chapter 13 | Group Assessment: All students will participate in an online discussion to share reflections on the readings, with application global health inequities. |
| 11/12/2018 – 11/18/2018 | **APHA – No in class meeting. Online discussion** | CSDH: Chapters 15 |
| **Week 15:** | ***THANKSGIVING BREAK*** | |
| 11/19/2018 – 11/25/2018 | | |
| Week 16: | Course Wrap Up | Dr. Troutman’s CV & Global Health Background | Individual Assessment: Students will submit 5-10 questions for guest speaker based on the speaker’s global health experience as it relates to the course readings. |
| 11/26/2018 – 11/30/2018 | | Guest: Dr. Adewale Troutman |
| **Final Exam:** | FINAL EXAM | **Final Exam** |
| December 4th 5:00pm Hollis 2106 | October 8th – November 27th | Individual Assessment of Weeks 1-16 |
**Portfolio Inclusion**
Samples of your work may be reproduced for search purposes and/or inclusion in the professor’s teaching portfolio. You have the right to review anything selected for use, and subsequently ask for its removal.

**Instructional Methods**

Class meetings will be a combination of lecture, class discussion, and active participation. Computer-generated presentations will be used in the lecture portion of this course. Prior to each lecture, the student is expected to complete the recommended readings and actively participate in class discussions. In this way, it is hoped that the learner will be better prepared to successfully accomplish the learning objective of each lecture experience.

**Grading**

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**Course Grading Scale**

- **A** = 90% - 100% (332.1-369)
- **B** = 80% - 89% (295.2-332)
- **C** = 70% - 79% (258.3-295.1)
- **D** = 60% - 69% (221.4-258.2)
- **F** = < 60% (<221.4)

**1. Class Participation (39 Points)**

You are expected to actively participate in class discussions, as this is a community of learners in which we all contribute. Participation not only adds to the quality of discussions, but also demonstrates that the class is completing assigned readings and understanding the material. **You can’t participate if you are not present.** Active participation is essential and will be evaluated in the following way:

**Excellent** (3 points) - Proactive participation through leading, originating, informing, and challenging contributions that reflect in-depth study, thought, and analysis of the topic under consideration. It must be evident that you have prepared for class by completing the assigned reading and chapter assignments. Please note, this does not mean dominating the discussion.
Satisfactory (2 points) - Reactive participation with supportive, follow-up contributions that are relevant and of value, but rely on the leadership and study of others, or reflect opinion rather than study, thought, and contemplation.

Minimal acceptability (1 points) - Passive participation including being present, awake, alert, attentive, but not actively involved.

Unsatisfactory (0 points) - Uninvolved including being absent, late, present but not attentive, sleeping, reading the newspaper, making irrelevant contributions that inhibit the progress of the discussion.

At the end of the course, your daily points will be added to account for your total participation grade. The maximum amount of points that will be received for participation is 36 points.

2. Reflection Papers (25 points/Paper)

Students will complete a total of 4 reflection papers, each focusing on the associated weeks. Students are to link their reflections to concepts and readings previously discussed in class, including the guest lecturers (where applicable). Students are free to choose which themes or topics they focus on, but they must be communicated through the lens of the social determinants of health. Each reflection paper must have a unique theme. Reflections are 25 points each and should be 500-750 words in length. The evaluation of this assignment is not focused on the student’s opinion, but on their ability to think critically; grammar and mechanics will also be evaluated. If applicable, any citations and references must be done according to APA formatting guidelines.

Here are a few items to consider when writing your reflection papers:

- Most important things learned/discussed during the timeframe
- Expected findings and surprises
- What course materials link with the presentations and how are they linked to the presentation? (where applicable)

3. Research Paper (50 Points)

The instructor will assign a country to each student to research for the final paper. Students are to review demographic, geographic, and health status data for the assigned country. Additionally, students are to gain an overall understanding of the various social determinants of health that impact the health outcomes of the population.

Using “A List of Recommendations” from the CSDH report, students will choose a recommendation relevant to their assigned country. Students will then describe the current and needed resources for the country to adopt the recommendation. The paper should be 3-5 pages and utilize APA formatting. Students are encouraged to be creative.

Detailed instructions and a grading rubric will be available to students in folio.
4. Online Discussion Board

On Tuesday, November 13\textsuperscript{th} students will participate in an online discussion focused on the assigned readings for the week. Students are to post their initial post and responses to their classmates by Tuesday, November 13\textsuperscript{th} at 7:45pm. For this discussion board, students will use the 3-2-1 discussion method and must adhere to the following guidelines:

- Post 3 facts or concepts that you found most interesting from the text
- Post 2 concepts or theories that you will apply in your prospective profession
- Post 1 (or more) question(s), related to the reading, for your classmates to answer.
- Reply to at least two questions posed by other students

Discussion Board Rubric

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<td>Completeness of Thought</td>
<td>Content of the posts are not complete and do not add to the value of the discussion board.</td>
<td>Posts are somewhat complete in content and thought. Posts may or may not extend the conversation in meaningful ways.</td>
<td>Posts are substantive in content, complete thoughts, and extend the conversation in meaningful ways.</td>
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<td>Three or more posts listed</td>
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<td>Grammar and Mechanics</td>
<td>Grammatical, spelling and punctuation errors substantially detract from the post.</td>
<td>Grammatical, spelling and punctuation errors are rare and do not detract from the post.</td>
<td>The post is free of grammatical, spelling and punctuation errors.</td>
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<td>Proper Use of APA Citations (In text and Reference List)</td>
<td>Errors in APA style detract significantly from the post. This include in text citations and references list.</td>
<td>Rare Errors in APA style that do not detract from the post. This includes in text citations and the reference list.</td>
<td>No errors in APA style. This includes in text citations and the reference list.</td>
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<td>Student did not engage with students who replied to their post.</td>
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5. Questions for November 27\textsuperscript{th}
Dr. Adewale Troutman will visit our class for a Question and Answer Session focused on his international work. His CV, including information regarding his international work, will be posted in folio. Students are to prepare 5-10 thought provoking questions (using the text and in-class discussions as a guide) to be asked during the session. Students will submit their list of questions to the instructor.

6. Midterm Exam:

The midterm exam will include multiple choice, short answers, definition of terms, listing of information, clarification of terms and concepts and/or case studies.

7. Final Exam:

The final exam will include multiple choice, short answers, definition of terms, listing of information, clarification of terms and concepts and/or case studies.

General Expectations

1. For every one-credit hour, you should expect to work roughly two hours outside the classroom each week. For example, for a three credit hour course, during a regular fifteen week semester, you should expect approximately ninety hours of work outside of class.

2. Students are expected to keep up with the class, to read the required material, and to submit assignments and activities by due dates and times.

3. Students are expected to independently complete all activities, exercises, assignments, and assessments including exams.

4. Students are expected to produce quality work. Typos and grammar errors should be kept to a minimum. The format and readability of submissions will be taken into consideration when assigning a grade.

5. Remember to check when assignments are due. It is recommended that you stay ahead of schedule on the assignments, so if an emergency happens, your assignment will be completed and ready to submit within the designated time frame. It is your responsibility to keep track of the due dates for each assignment.

Response Times

During a normal work week (i.e., Monday 9:00 AM through Friday 5:00 PM) students can expect responses as follows:

- Email: within 48 hours
- Discussion posts: within 72 hours
- Assignment grades: within 72 hours – 1 week of submission date.
Exceptions: I may not check FOLIO or GSU email over the weekends. If you send me an email after 5:00 PM on Friday, please do not expect a response until the following Monday.

All assignments will be graded promptly so that students may accurately calculate their grades at any point in time during the semester. There are times when extraordinary circumstances occur (e.g., serious illness, death in the family, etc.). In such circumstances, and/or if you need additional time to satisfactorily complete any course requirement, please consult with the instructor within a reasonable amount of time. Extensions are not guaranteed and will be granted solely at the discretion of the instructor.

Course Expectations

Texting and Use of Cell Phones (and Other Technologies)

Please do not text in class or use your cell phone during class! Texting during class (or in a meeting) is disruptive and rude…at least to me. My preference is that you put cell phones away during class meetings so they are not a source of temptation. Offenders will be asked to leave.

Class Attendance and Participation Policy

Federal regulations require attendance be verified prior to distribution of financial aid allotments. Regular attendance is expected. Your attendance will be verified at the first regular class session.

It is the policy of the University to permit students, faculty, and staff to observe those holidays set aside by their chosen religious faith. The faculty should be sensitive to the observance of these holidays so that students who choose to observe these holidays are not seriously disadvantaged. It is the responsibility of those who wish to be absent to make arrangements in advance with their instructors.

Students participating in authorized activities as an official representative of the University (i.e., athletic events, delegate to regional or national meetings or conferences, participation in university-sponsored performances, and JPHCOPH funded) will not receive academic penalties and, in consultation with the instructor of record, will be given reasonable opportunities to complete assignments and exams or given compensatory assignment(s) if needed. The student must provide written confirmation from a faculty or staff advisor to the course instructor(s) at least 10 days prior to the date for which the student will be absent from the class. The student is responsible for all material presented in class and for all announcements and assignments. When possible, students are expected to complete these assignments before their absences. In the event of a disagreement regarding this policy, an appeal may be made by either the student or the instructor of record to the corresponding college dean. (University Undergraduate & Graduate Catalog)

Academic Misconduct
As a student registered at this University, it is expected that you will adhere to only the strictest standards of conduct. It is recommended that you review the latest edition of the Student Conduct Code book, as well as the latest Undergraduate & Graduate Catalog to familiarize yourself with the University’s policies in this regard. Your continued enrollment in this course is an implied contract between you and the instructor on this issue; from this point forward, it is assumed that you will conduct yourself appropriately.

**Plagiarism:**

According to the Academic Dishonesty Policy of Georgia Southern University, Plagiarism includes (but is not limited to):

A. Directly quoting the words of others without using quotation marks or indented format to identify them.

B. Using published or unpublished sources of information without identifying them.

C. Paraphrasing material or ideas without identifying the source.

D. Unacknowledged use of materials prepared by another person or agency engaged in the selling of term papers or other academic material.

If you are accused of plagiarism by a JPHCOPH, the following policy, as per the Judicial Affairs website: (http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/judicial/faculty.htm) will be enforced:

**PROCEDURES FOR ADJUDICATING ACADEMIC DISHONESTY CASES**

**First Offense - In Violation Plea**

1. If the professor and the Dean of Students agree that the evidence is sufficient to warrant a charge of academic dishonesty, the professor should contact the Office of Judicial Affairs to determine if this is a first violation of academic dishonesty. The incident will be reported via the following website:  http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/judicial/faculty.htm

2. If it is a first violation, the professor should talk with the student about the violation. If the student accepts responsibility in writing and the professor decides to adjudicate the case, the following procedures will be followed:

   a. The student will be placed on disciplinary probation for a minimum of one semester by the Office of Judicial Affairs.

   b. The student will be subject to any academic sanctions imposed by the professor (from receiving a 0 on the assignment to receiving a failing grade in the class).

   c. A copy of all the material involved in the case (Academic Dishonesty Report Form and the Request for Instructor to Adjudicate Form) and a brief statement from the professor concerning the facts of the case and the course syllabus should be mailed to the Office of Judicial Affairs for inclusion in the student’s discipline record.

**First Offense - Not in Violation Plea (student does not admit the violation)**

If the professor and the Dean of Students agree that the evidence is sufficient to warrant a charge of academic dishonesty, the professor should contact the Office of Judicial Affairs to determine if this is the first or second violation of academic dishonesty. The student will be charged with academic dishonesty and the University Judicial Board or a University Hearing Officer would hear the case. If the student is found responsible, the following penalty will normally be imposed:
a. The student will be placed on Disciplinary Probation for a minimum of one semester by the Office of Judicial Affairs.
b. The student will be subject to any academic sanctions imposed by the professor.

Second Violation of Academic Dishonesty
If the professor and the Dean of Students agree that the evidence is sufficient to warrant a charge of academic dishonesty, and if it is determined this is the second violation, the student will be charged with academic dishonesty and the University Judicial Board or a University Hearing Officer would hear the case.

If the student is found responsible, the following penalty will normally be imposed:
a. Suspension for a minimum of one semester or expulsion.
b. The student will be subject to any academic sanctions imposed by the professor.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FINDING
When a student is found not responsible of academic dishonesty, the work in question (assignment, paper, test, etc.) would be forwarded to the Department Chair. It is the responsibility of the Chair to ensure that the work is evaluated by a faculty member other than the individual who brought the charge and, if necessary, submit a final grade to the Registrar. For the protection of the faculty member and the student, the work in question should not be referred back to the faculty member who charged the student with academic dishonesty.
In the case of a Department Chair bringing charges against a student, an administrator at the Dean’s level will ensure that the student’s work is evaluated in an appropriate manner.

CONFIDENTIALITY
In accordance with provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and the Georgia Open Records Act, any information related to a violation of academic dishonesty or the outcome of a judicial hearing regarding academic dishonesty, is prohibited and must be treated as confidential by members of the faculty.

Disability-related Accommodations
Georgia Southern University is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to students with documented disabilities as required under federal law. Disabilities may include ADD or AD/HD, autism spectrum disorder, brain injury, chronic medical conditions, communication disorders, hearing loss, learning disabilities, mobility impairment, psychological disorders, visual impairment or temporary injuries. The purpose of disability accommodation is to provide equal access to the academic material and equal access to demonstrate mastery of the material. If you have a disability and need accommodations, please contact the Student Accessibility Resource Center (SARC). You will need to meet with a SARC staff member who can help you gather documentation of your disability or refer you to an appropriate resource for assessment. Once documentation of the disability is approved, SARC staff will provide you with an accommodation letter detailing the approved accommodations which you should present to me so we can discuss and implement your accommodations. Disability accommodations work best starting at the beginning of the semester, but can be approved and started at any point in the semester. Accommodations start at the time the accommodation letter is presented to faculty within reasonable timelines; accommodations are not given retroactively. SARC on the Statesboro campus is located on the second floor of Cone Hall and the phone number is (912)
478-1566. SARC for Savannah and Liberty campuses is located on the second floor of Memorial College Center and the phone number is (912) 344-2572.

**University Calendar for the Semester**
The University Calendar is located with the semester schedule, and can be found at:  
http://em.georgiasouthern.edu/registrar/resources/calendars/

**One Final Note**
The contents of this syllabus are as complete and accurate as possible. The instructor reserves the right to make any changes necessary to the syllabus and course material to ensure better student learning. The instructor will announce any such changes in class. It is the responsibility of the student to know what changes have been made in order to successfully complete the requirements of the course.

This syllabus, my lecture notes, and all materials distributed and presented during this course are protected by copyright law. You are authorized to take notes in this class but that authorization extends to only making one set of notes for your personal use and no other use. You are not authorized to sell, license, commercially publish, distribute, transmit, display, or record notes from this class unless you have my written consent to do so.
STUDENT CONDUCT CODE
The Student Conduct Code is the official University publication governing student conduct and behavior. It is the responsibility of each student to become familiar with the rules and regulations governing student life. Student conduct procedures, appeal procedures, and disciplinary sanctions are found in the Student Conduct Code at http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/conduct. I acknowledge that I have read and understand this statement referencing the Student Conduct Code.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY
The University goal is to foster an intellectual atmosphere that produces educated, literate people. Because cheating and plagiarism are at odds with that goal, they shall not be tolerated in any form. Students are expected to adhere to the rules and regulations as set forth in the Student Conduct Code. Therefore, all work submitted by a student must represent that student's own ideas and effort; when the work does not, the student has engaged in academic dishonesty. Plagiarism occurs when a person passes in another person's work as his or her own, borrows directly from another person's work without proper documentation, and resubmits his or her own work that has been previously submitted without explicit approval from the instructor. For example, academic dishonesty occurs whenever a student participates in any of the following: Cheating submitting material that is not yours as part of your course performance; using information or devices that are not allowed by the faculty; obtaining and/or using unauthorized materials; fabricating information, research, and/or results; violating procedures prescribed to protect the integrity of an assignment, test, or other evaluation; collaborating with others on assignments without the faculty's consent; cooperating with and/or helping another student to cheat; demonstrating any other forms of dishonest behavior. Plagiarism directly quoting the words of others without using quotation marks or indented format to identify them; using sources of information (published or unpublished) without identifying them; paraphrasing materials or ideas without identifying the source; self-plagiarism - resubmitting work previously submitted without explicit approval from the instructor; unacknowledged use of materials prepared by another person or agency engaged in the selling of term papers or other academic material. NOTICE: The list above is intended only to provide general guidelines for recognizing and avoiding common types of academic dishonesty. It is in no way an exhaustive or comprehensive list of all the types of academic dishonesty. For more information about academic honesty, see the Student Conduct Code at http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/conduct. I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Academic Dishonesty Policy.

I have read the syllabus and understand the contents and course requirements.

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Student Name (print)      Student Signature      Date