

Social Behavior and Health

Syllabus

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic and Assigned Readings</u>
Thursday, 1/9	Introduction to Course and Requirements
	I. Theoretical Orientations
Tuesday, 1/14	<i>Social Perspectives on Health and Illness</i> Brown, Phil: Naming and Framing Zola: Medicine as an Institution of Social Control
Thursday, 1/16	<i>Medicalization of Deviance</i> Conrad & Schneider: Deviance and Medicalization Link et al.: A Modified Labeling Theory Approach to Mental Disorders
Tuesday, 1/21	<i>Conceptualizing and Measuring Illness</i> Ferraro & Wilmoth: Measuring Morbidity Kessler: Categorical versus Dimensional Assessment
	II. Social Epidemiology
Thursday, 1/23	<i>Socioeconomic Status and Health I</i> House: Social Factors and Inequalities in Health Link & Phelan: Social Conditions as Fundamental Causes of Disease
Tuesday, 1/28	<i>Socioeconomic Status and Health II</i> Mulatu & Schooler: Causal Connections between SES and Health Marmot et al.: Psychosocial Factors and Socioeconomic Differences in Health

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic and Assigned Readings</u>
Thursday, 1/30	<i>Social Support and Social Integration</i> Thoits & Hewitt: Volunteer Work and Well-Being Lin et al.: Social Support and Depressed Mood
Tuesday, 2/4	<i>Disability Transitions</i> de Leon et al.: Social Networks and Disability Transitions Melzer et al.: Educational Differences in Mobility Disability
Thursday, 2/6	<i>Race and Ethnicity</i> Ferraro & Kelley-Moore: Self-Rated Health and Mortality Angel et al.: Duration or Disadvantage?
Tuesday, 2/11	<i>Religion and Health</i> Hummer et al.: Religious Involvement and U.S. Adult Mortality Strawbridge et al.: Frequent Attendance at Religious Services and Mortality over 28 Years
Thursday, 2/13	<i>Child Health and Well-Being</i> McLeod & Nonnemaker: Poverty and Child Emotional and Behavioral Problems Barber et al.: Unwanted Childbearing, Health, and Mother- Child Relationships
Tuesday, 2/18	<i>Contextual Effects and Health</i> LeClere et al.: Neighborhood Social Context and Women's Heart Disease Mortality Ross: Neighborhood Disadvantage and Adult Depression

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	III. Stress, Social Support, and Illness
Thursday, 2/20	<i>Theoretical Orientations</i> Pearlin et al.: The Stress Process Brown, George: Social Roles and the Origins of Depression
Tuesday, 2/25	<i>Conceptualizing Stress Exposure</i> Turner & Lloyd: Lifetime Traumas and Mental Health Pearlin et al.: The Forms and Mechanisms of Stress Proliferation
	TERM PAPER PROSPECTUS DUE
Thursday, 2/27	<i>Chronic Stress</i> Stephens et al.: Balancing Parent Care with Other Roles Kessler et al.: The Prevalence, Distribution, and Mental Health Correlates of Perceived Discrimination
Tuesday, 3/4	<i>Modeling Issues</i> Landerman et al.: Alternative Models of Stress-Buffering Hooker et al.: Behavioral Change in Persons with Dementia
	MID-TERM EXAMINATION DUE
Thursday, 3/6	<i>Tracing Patterns of Stress and Support</i> Ross & Mirowsky: Explaining the Social Patterns of Depression Bisconti & Bergeman: Perceived Control as a Mediator....
WEEK OF 3/10	SPRING BREAK

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic and Assigned Readings</u>
Tuesday, 3/18	<p><i>Religious Coping</i></p> <p>Strawbridge et al.: Religiosity Buffers Effects of Some Stressors But Exacerbates Others</p> <p>Chang et al.: The Role of Religion/Spirituality in Coping with Caregiving for Disabled Elders</p>
Thursday, 3/20	<p><i>The Role of Meaning</i></p> <p>Simon: The Meanings Individuals Attach to Role Identities...</p> <p>Burton: Global Integrative Meaning as a Mediating Factor...</p>
Tuesday, 3/25	<p><i>Recovery from Mental Illness</i></p> <p>Markowitz: Modeling Processes in Recovery from Mental Illness</p> <p>George et al.: Social Support and the Outcome of Depression</p>
IV. Health Care	
Thursday, 3/27	<p><i>Theoretical Orientations Toward Access and Help-Seeking</i></p> <p>Andersen & Newman: Societal and Individual Determinants of Medical Care Utilization</p> <p>Andersen: Revisiting the Behavioral Model and Access to Medical Care</p>
Tuesday, 4/1	<p><i>Expanding the Andersen Model</i></p> <p>Bass & Noelker: Influence of Family Caregivers on Elder's Use of In-Home Services</p> <p>Porell et al.: Access to Care and Functional Status Change</p>

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Thursday, 4/3	<i>Cracks in the System</i> Stern et al.: The Emergency Department as a Pathway to Admission Crystal et al.: Out-of-Pocket Health Care Costs
Tuesday, 4/8	<i>Mental Health Services</i> Leaf et al.: Factors Affecting Utilization of Mental Health Services Landerman et al.: The Relationship between Insurance Coverage and Psychiatric Disorder in Predicting....
	TERM PAPERS DUE
Thursday, 4/10	<i>Doctor-Patient Relationships</i> Waitzkin: A Critical Theory of Medical Discourse McKinlay et al.: The Unexpected Influence of Physician Attributes on Clinical Decisions
Tuesday, 4/15	<i>The Final Encounter with Medical Care</i> George: Research Design in End-of-Life Research Kaufman: Intensive Care, Old Age, and the Problem of Death in America
Thursday, 4/17	<i>Loose Ends</i>
Tuesday, 4/29, 5:00 PM	FINAL EXAMINATION DUE

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