The University of Calgary Bachelor of Health Sciences Cumming School of Medicine

HSOC 201 Introduction to Health & Society

Instructors:

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Office Hours/Policy on Answering Student Emails

Office hours available by appointment; please book appointments by email. Email communications with the instructor and/or TA are welcome. All course communications must occur through your @ucalgary email. I aim to respond to all student emails within 48 hours. Substantive issues are to be addressed during an appointment or after class.

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Time and Location:

Mondays & Wednesdays 3:00 PM – 4:15 PM

This course will take place <u>online</u> via Desire2Learn (D2L) and Zoom. This course will be delivered <u>synchronously</u> via Zoom. Students are expected to be present and to actively participate in the synchronous class sessions. When unable to participate live due to unforeseen circumstances, students are expected to inform the instructor in advance and to propose and implement alternative participation activities.

Prerequisite/Co-Requisite:

None

Course Description:

Introduction to public health, emphasizing the contributions of social research from several disciplinary traditions (anthropology, economics, epidemiology, geography, political science, psychology, and sociology). Students practice and refine several skill sets, including: library research, public speaking, teamwork, leadership, and academic writing.

Overarching Theme

This course will introduce students to the health research from the perspective of seven disciplines whose concepts and methods contribute to our understanding of health. In alphabetical order, these seven disciplines are:

- 1. Anthropology
- 2. Economics
- 3. Epidemiology
- 4. Geography
- 5. Political science
- 6. Psychology
- 7. Sociology

Given the multidimensional nature of health, students will explore the various social contexts and factors that contribute to health and how these are examined through different health research perspectives. The course will

use Homelessness as an example of a public health issue that can be explored through the various social science lenses.

This course has been designed to provide students with opportunities to practice and refine several skill sets, including: academic writing (well-structured sentences and paragraphs), note-taking, public speaking, teamwork, collaboration and leadership. In addition, students will develop critical thinking skills through discussion and group work focused on evaluating the merits of published research and documentaries.

Global Objectives

- 1. To foster an appreciation and understanding of the multi-dimensional factors that impact health and the contributions that various social science perspectives make to health research in an interactive classroom environment that is positive and engaging.
- 2. To develop writing skills essential for academic writing.
- 3. To develop collaboration skills essential for interdisciplinary health research.
- 4. To think critically about health information presented in the media and about published health research.

Course Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Paraphrase, summarize, compare and discuss original research reports written by anthropologists, economists, epidemiologists, geographers, political scientists, psychologists, and sociologists.
- 2. Distinguish between key concepts current in anthropology, economics, epidemiology, geography, political science, psychology, or sociology with reference to pertinent examples. Key concepts include different disciplinary perspectives, research methods, and conceptual frameworks utilized.
- 3. Apply key concepts current in anthropology, economics, epidemiology, geography, political science, psychology, sociology and/or veterinary medicine in describing public health issues and identifying avenues for health research.
- 4. Develop effective collaborations skills.
- 5. Discuss relationships between health and society, with reference to standard definitions and to pertinent examples.
- 6. Critically evaluate and identify the strengths and limitations of information presented in published health research and documentaries on various health topics.

Learning Resources

- 1. **Textbook:** There is no required textbook for this course.
- 2. **Peer-reviewed Journal Articles:** Students will retrieve assigned articles from the University of Calgary's library collection that represent the seven disciplines introduced in this course.
- 3. **Documentaries:** Students will select and present summaries of documentaries covering any topic related to social issues in health. These may be chosen from streaming services, the National Film Board of Canada, the Calgary Public Library streaming service (Kanopy), among others. Students are free to choose any source for their documentary of choice as long as the instructor can also obtain a copy.
- 4. Class Notes: Each student is to prepare and maintain a set of their own class notes. Any content present in class, whether verbally or in written form, could be used for assessment purposes. Class discussion is understood to constitute course content.

Recommended Textbooks/Readings

- Strunk, W. & White, E.B. (2000). The Elements of Style (4th ed). Needham Heights, MA: Allyn & Bacon. (Available at UCalgary Library)
- Lunsford, A.A. (2008). *The St. Martin's Handbook* (6th ed). Boston: Bedford/St-Martin's. (Available at UCalgary library)
- University of Calgary Writing Support Centre (free consultations via one-on-one appointments and online support): https://www.ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/writing-support

A Note regarding Readings

A list of required readings will be outlined on Brightspace (D2L) and links and documents will be made available, where possible. Required readings have been chosen carefully to inform you and enhance the lecture material. **Students are REQUIRED to complete assigned readings BEFORE each lecture.** Instructors will proceed in class on the assumption that students have read completely the assigned readings. Students should be aware that many of the readings they will be assigned may be of an unfamiliar nature and style. <u>Students should allot sufficient time</u> to allow for several reads of the assigned material.

Learning Technology Requirements

Brightspace (by D2L) is located on the University of Calgary server and will be used extensively for communication with students. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that they receive all posted communications and documents and that they receive emails sent by instructors or fellow students through D2L. Only your @ucalgary.ca email address may be linked to D2L. Please ensure that you are regularly checking your @ucalgary.ca account.

In order to successfully engage in learning experiences at the University of Calgary, students taking online, remote and blended courses are required to have reliable access to the following technology:

- A computer with a supported operating system, as well as the latest security and malware updates;
- A current and updated web browser;
- Webcam (built-in or external);
- Microphone and speaker (built-in or external), or headset with microphone;
- Current antivirus and/or firewall software enabled;
- Broadband internet connection

Most current laptops will have a built-in webcam, speaker and microphone.

A laptop, desktop, tablet or mobile device is required for D2L access. If you need help accessing or using D2L, please visit the Desire2Learn resource page for students: http://elearn.ucalgary.ca/d2l-student/.

Evaluation

The University policy on grading and related matters is described in section F of the 2020-2021 Calendar.

In determining the overall grade in the course, the following weights will be used:

	Percentage of		Learning Objectives
Description	Grade	Due Date	Addressed
Individual Assessments			
Class Participation – Active and productive participation in class activities and discussions	10%	All term	All learning objectives
Assignment 1 - Paraphrasing	5%	October 5, 2020	#1
Assignment 2 - Paraphrasing & Discussion Paragraphs	10%	November 2, 2020	#1, #2, #3, #5, #6
Final Exam	30%	Scheduled by the Registrar	All learning objectives
Group Assessments			
Journal Club - Oral Presentation Written summary	15% 5%	TBD (group sign-up in September)	#1, #2, #3, #5, #6
Documentary Review	20%	TBD (group sign-up in October) Presentations:	#2, #3, #5, #6

		November 30 – December 7, 2020	
Peer Evaluations	5%	One due at the time of Journal Club presentation and one at Doc Review presentation	#4

A student's final grade for the course is the sum of the separate assignments. It is not necessary to pass each assignment separately in order to pass the course.

Final Examination: The final examination will be a take-home exam, to be completed independently by each student at the time and date scheduled by the Registrar. The take-home exam will be cumulative. Students will have 6 hours to complete the exam (however, the exam is designed to be completed in under 3 hours). The take-home exam will be open book, meaning that students will be permitted to use copies of writing references (dictionary and/or a thesaurus), course readings, and the student's own course notes, but may not, under any circumstances, consult with any other individuals (whether registered in the course or not) before, during or after the exam. Doing so will be construed as academic misconduct. Consult Section G of the University of Calgary Calendar for rules governing final examinations.

A Note regarding Writing Assignments:

Writing skills are important to academic study in all disciplines. In keeping with the University of Calgary's emphasis on the importance of academic writing in student assignments (section E.2 of 2020-21 Calendar), writing is emphasized, and the grading thereof in determining a student's mark in this course. The Bachelor of Health Sciences values excellence in writing. Competence in writing entails skills in crafting logical, clear, coherent, non-redundant sentences, paragraphs and broader arguments, as well as skills with the mechanics of writing (grammar, spelling, punctuation). Sources used in research papers must be properly documented. The University of Calgary offers a number of instructional services through the Students' Success Centre's Writing Support Services (http://www.ucalgary.ca/writingsupport/) for students seeking feedback on assignments or seeking to improve their general writing skills. Students are **strongly encouraged** to take advantage of these programs.

Grading Scheme:

Letter Grade	Description	Percentage
A+	Outstanding performance	96-100
Α	Excellent performance	90-95
A-	Approaching excellent performance	85-89
B+	Exceeding good performance	80-84
В	Good performance	75-79
B-	B- Approaching good performance	
C+ Exceeding satisfactory performance		65-69
С	C Satisfactory performance	
C-	C- Approaching satisfactory performance	
D+	D+ Marginal pass	
D	D Minimal pass	
F	Did not meet course requirements	0-49

Missed Components of Term Work:

Late assignments will not be accepted and will automatically receive a mark of zero. The only exceptions to this are those in keeping with the restrictions defined by the University Calendar (i.e., debilitating illness, religious conviction, or severe domestic affliction) that are received in writing and with supporting documentation.

Extensions will NOT be granted on any assignment or quizzes in HSOC 201. The only exceptions to this are those in keeping with the University Calendar (debilitating illness, religious conviction, or severe domestic affliction) that are received in writing and with supporting documentation. Please note that while absences are permitted for religious reasons, students are responsible for providing advance notice and adhering to other guidelines on this matter, as outlined in the University Calendar (https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-4.html).

Course Evaluations and Student Feedback

Student feedback will be sought at the end of the course through the Universal Student Rating of Instruction (USRI) and a qualitative student evaluation. Students are welcome to discuss the process and content of the course at any time with the instructor. Students may also address any concerns they may have with Dr. Ebba Kurz, Associate Dean (Undergraduate Health and Science Education) in the Cumming School of Medicine (kurz@ucalgary.ca).

Guidelines for Zoom Sessions

Zoom is a video conferencing program that will allow us to meet at specific times for a 'live' video conference, so that we can have the opportunity to meet each other virtually and discuss relevant course topics as a learning community.

To help ensure Zoom sessions are private, do not share the Zoom link or password with others, or on any social media platforms. Zoom links and passwords are only intended for students registered in the course. Zoom recordings and materials presented in Zoom, including any teaching materials, must not be shared, distributed or published without the instructor's permission.

The use of video conferencing programs relies on participants to act ethically, honestly and with integrity; and in accordance with the principles of fairness, good faith, and respect (as the Code of Conduct). When entering Zoom or other video conferencing sessions, you play a role in helping create an effective, safe and respectful learning environment. Please be mindful of how your behaviour in these sessions may affect others. Participants are required to use names officially associated with their UCID (legal or preferred names listed in the Student Centre) when engaging in these activities. Instructors/moderators can remove those whose names do not appear on class rosters. Non-compliance may be investigated under relevant University of Calgary conduct policies. If participants have difficulties complying with this requirement, they should email the instructor of the class explaining why, so the instructor may consider whether to grant an exception, and on what terms. For more information on how to get the most out of your zoom sessions visit: https://elearn.ucalgary.ca/guidelines-for-zoom/.

If you are unable to attend a Zoom session, please contact your instructor to arrange an alternative activity (where available). Please be prepared, as best as you are able, to join class in a quiet space that will allow you to be fully present and engaged in Zoom sessions. Students will be advised by their instructor when they are expected to turn on their webcam (such as for group work, presentations, etc).

The instructor may record online Zoom class sessions for the purposes of supporting student learning in this class – such as making the recording available for review of the session or for students who miss a session. Students will be advised before the instructor initiates a recording of a Zoom session. These recordings will be used to support student learning only.

Attendance

It is important that you make every effort to attend all sessions since much of the learning in this course will be gained through in-class discussions. Furthermore, class participation is worth 10% of your overall grade for this course. Marks for participation cannot be gained unless you are in attendance. Please notify the instructor directly via email for any extended absences.

Conduct During Lectures

The classroom (even when virtual) should be respected as a safe place to share ideas without judgement - a community in which we can all learn from one another. Students are expected to frame their comments and questions to lecturers in respectful and appropriate language, always maintaining sensitivity towards the topic.

Students, employees, and academic staff are also expected to demonstrate behaviour in class that promotes and maintains a positive and productive learning environment.

As members of the University community, students, employees and academic staff are expected to demonstrate conduct that is consistent with the University of Calgary Calendar, the Code of Conduct and Non-Academic Misconduct policy and procedures, which can be found at https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/forms/title.

Students are expected to take notes during class and should not rely solely on material supplied by the instructors.

Use of Internet and Electronic Communication Devices in Class

The Bachelor of Health Sciences program aims to create a supportive and respectful learning environment for all students. The use of laptop and mobile devices is acceptable when used in a manner appropriate to the course and classroom activities. However, research studies have found that inappropriate/off-topic use of electronic devices in the classroom negatively affects the learning of others during class time.

Students are responsible for being aware of the University's Internet and email use policy, which can be found at https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/electronic-communications-policy.pdf.

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY POLICIES AND SUPPORTS

Copyright

All students are required to reach the University of Calgary policy on Acceptable Use of Material Protected by Copyright (https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/acceptable-use-of-material-protected-by-copyright-policy.pdf) and requirements of the Copyright Act (https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html) to ensure they are aware of the consequences of unauthorized sharing of course materials (including instructor notes, electronic versions of textbooks, etc.). Students who use material protected by copyright in violation of this policy may be disciplined under the Non-Academic Misconduct Policy https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html.

Instructor Intellectual Property

Course materials created by instructors (including course outlines, presentations and posted notes, labs, case studies, assignments and exams) remain the intellectual property of the instructor. These materials may **NOT** be reproduced, redistributed or copied without the explicit consent of the professor. **The posting of course materials to third party websites such as note-sharing sites without permission is prohibited**. Sharing of extracts of these course materials with other students enrolled in the course *at the same time* may be allowed under fair dealing.

Academic Accommodations

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations according to the University policies and procedures listed below. The Student Accommodations policy is available at https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academic-accommodations. Students needing an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services (SAS) in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities (https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/procedure-for-accommodations-for-students-with-disabilities.pdf). Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other than disability should communicate this need in writing to their instructor. SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodations to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit www.ucalgary.ca/access/.

Academic Misconduct

The University of Calgary is committed to the highest standards of academic integrity and honesty. The University of Calgary has created rules to govern all its members regarding the creation of knowledge and the demonstration of knowledge having been learned.

Academic Misconduct refers to student behaviour that compromises proper assessment of a student's academic activities and includes (but is not limited to): cheating, fabrication, falsification, plagiarism, unauthorized assistance, failure to comply with an instructor's expectations regarding conduct required of students completing academic assessments in their courses, and failure to comply with exam regulations applied by the Registrar.

For information of the Student Academic Misconduct Policy and Procedures, please visit; https://ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-academic-misconduct-procedure.pdf

Additional information is available on the Academic Integrity website at: https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity.

Recording of Lectures

Audio or video recording of lectures is prohibited except where explicit permission has been received from the instructor.

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Student information will be collected in accordance with typical (or usual) classroom practice. Students' assignments will be accessible only by the authorized course faculty. Private information related to the individual student is treated with the utmost regard by the faculty at the University of Calgary

Appeals

If there is a concern with the course, academic matter or a grade, first communicate with the instructor. If these concerns cannot be resolved, students can proceed with an academic appeal, as per Section I of the University Calendar. Students must follow the official reappraisal/appeal process and may contact the Student Ombuds' Office (http://www.ucalgary.ca/ombuds) for assistance with this and with any other academic concerns, including academic and non-academic misconduct. Students should be aware that concerns about graded term work may only be initiated within 10 business days of first being notified of the grade. https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-2.html

Sexual Violence Policy

The University recognizes that all members of the University Community should be able to learn, work, teach and live in an environment where they are free from harassment, discrimination, and violence. The University of Calgary's sexual violence policy guides us in how we respond to incidents of sexual violence, including supports available to those who have experienced or witnessed sexual violence, or those who are alleged to have committed sexual violence. It provides clear response procedures and timelines, defines complex concepts, and addresses incidents that occur off-campus in certain circumstances. Please see the policy available at https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/sexual-violence-policy.pdf

Resources for Support of Student Learning, Success, Safety and Wellness

Student Success Centre http://www.ucalgary.ca/ssc/

Student Wellness Centre http://www.ucalgary.ca/wellnesscentre/

Distress Centre http://www.distresscentre.com/

Library Resources http://library.ucalgary.ca

Wellness and Mental Health Resources

The University of Calgary recognizes the pivotal role that student mental health plays in physical health, social connectedness and academic success, and aspires to create a caring and supportive campus community where individuals can freely talk about mental health and receive supports when needed. We encourage you to explore the excellent mental health resources available throughout the university community, such as counselling, self-help resources, peer support or skills-building available through the SU Wellness Centre (https://www.ucalgary.ca/wellnesscentre/services/mental-health-services) and the Campus Mental Health Strategy (http://www.ucalgary.ca/mentalhealth/).

Student Ombuds' Office

The Student Ombuds' Office supports and provides a safe, neutral space for students. For more information, please visit www.ucalgary.ca/ombuds/ or email ombuds@ucalgary.ca

BHSc Student Faculty Liaison Committee (SFLC)

The BHSc SFLC, with elected representatives from all majors, serves to raise issues of interest to BHSc students to the program administration, including items pertaining to curriculum, scheduling and events. A list of current representatives can be found on the BHSc website.

Student Union (SU) Information

The SU Vice-President Academic can be reached at (403) 220-3911 or suvpaca@ucalgary.ca; the SU representatives for the Cumming School of Medicine can be reached at medrep1@su.ucalgary.ca or medrep2@su.ucalgary.ca.

Student Success Centre

The Student Success Centre provides services and programs to ensure students can make the most of their time at the University of Calgary. Our advisors, learning support staff, and writing support staff assist students in enhancing their skills and achieving their academic goals. They provide tailored learning support and advising programs, as well as one-on-one services, free of charge to all undergraduate and graduate students. For more information visit: https://www.ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success

Emergency Evacuation/Assembly Points

As part of the University of Calgary Emergency Evacuation plan, students, faculty, and staff should locate the closest Assembly Point in case of Fire Alarm. Safety signage is posted throughout the campus showing the locations and the possible route to these locations. All students, faculty, and staff are expected to promptly make their way to the nearest Assembly Point if the Fire Alarm is activated. No one is to return into campus facilities until an all clear is given to the warden in charge of the Assembly Area. For more information, see https://www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/building-evacuation/assembly-points

Safewalk

Campus security will escort individuals, day or night, anywhere on campus (including McMahon Stadium, Health Sciences Centre, Student Family Housing, the Alberta Children's Hospital and the University LRT station). Call 403-220-5333 or visit http://www.ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk. Use any campus phone, emergency phone or the yellow phone located at most parking lot pay booths. Please ensure your personal safety by taking advantage of this service.

Class Schedule

The following is a list of topics for class, associated readings, and assignment / exam due dates. Please note that unforeseen circumstances may cause changes to the schedule with respect to the timing of topics and readings. Furthermore, learning objectives and readings for student-led sessions (i.e., Journal Club and Documentary Review presentations) will be identified as students have chosen their readings. Students will be notified of all changes in a timely manner by way of email and D2L announcements. The exam dates are firm and will not be altered. Course activities are synchronous and will occur during scheduled class time.

Date	Module / Topics	Instructor/ Guest Lecturer	Readings & Assignments	Learning Objectives
September 9, 2020	Course Overview	Kaylee Ramage Dr. Fabiola Aparicio-Ting	Course Outline (posted on D2L)	 Understand the expectations of the course. Define health, society, and research. Briefly discuss the social determinants of health.
September 14, 2020	Public Health & the Population Health approach	Kaylee Ramage	Required: Public Health Agency of Canada: Core Competencies for Public Health in Canada.http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/php- psp/ccph-cesp/pdfs/cc-manual- eng090407.pdf What is the Population Health Approach? http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/ph-sp/approach-approche/index-eng.php	 Define public health. Describe how public health practice and research use the population health approach. Identify ways in which public health differs from public health care. Describe the population health approach. Illustrate with examples what is meant by a focus on upstream factors.
September 16, 2020	Social Sciences in Public Health & Research Introduction to Paraphrasing in an Academic Context	Kaylee Ramage	Required: Cohen,N.L. & Perl,S. (2003). Integrating behavioral and social science into a Public Health agency: A case study of New York City. Journal of Urban Health, 80 (4), 608-615. Recommended: Schneiderman, N & Speers, MA. (2001). Behavioural Science, Social Science and Public Health in the 21st Century (Chapter 1). In: Integrating Behavioral and Social Sciences with Public Health. Schneiderman N., Peers M.A., Silvia, J.M., Tomes, H. & Gentry, J.H. (eds). (p3-12). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.	 Describe ways in which the social sciences contribute to public health research and practice. Identify challenges to integrating the social sciences into public health practice and research. Understand the importance of paraphrasing and the potential for plagiarism when paraphrasing goes wrong. Filter information from a text for abstractions and important ideas, not details. Appropriately paraphrase short excerpts.

September 21, 2020	Introduction to Homelessness	Calgary Homeless Foundation	Recommended: Homeless Charter of Rights (link posted in D2L)	1. 2.	Understand aspects of homelessness in Calgary. Discuss some of the various factors that contribute to homelessness in Calgary.
September 23, 2020	Anthropology in Health Research Thinking Critically about Published Research: Introduction to Journal Club Group Project	Kaylee Ramage	Required: Persaud,S., McIntyre, L. & Milaney, K. (2010). Working homeless men in Calgary, Canada: hegemony and identity. Human Organization, 69(4), 343-351. Recommended: Lambert, H. & McKevitt, C. (2002). Anthropology in health research: from qualitative methods to multidisciplinarity. BMJ, 325(27), 210-213. Journal Club Group Sign-Up	1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9.	Describe the four major fields of anthropology. Define and describe the key concepts that anthropologists use. Illustrate how anthropology contributes to public health research and practice. Discuss how the research by Persaud et al. (2010) exemplifies the use of anthropology in health research. Compare and contrast the research by Persaud et al (2010) with other studies examined throughout the semester. Describe the key features of research articles; Understand the principles of critical appraisal and why it is important; Identify the components of a well written summary; Use a list of guided questions to conduct a critical review
September 28, 2020	Sociology in Health Research	Kaylee Ramage	Required: Kennelly,J. & Watt,P. (2011). Sanitizing public space in Olympic host cities: The spatial experiences of marginalized youth in 2010 Vancouver and 2012 London. Sociology, 45(5), 765–781. Recommended: Spitler, H.D. (2001). Medical Sociology and Public Health: Problems and prospects for collaboration in the new millennium. Sociological Spectrum, 21(3), 247-263.	1. 2. 3. 4.	Define the sociological perspective and explain why it is important.
September 30, 2020	Psychology in Health Research	Kaylee Ramage	Required: Hodgetts, D., Stolte, O., Radley, A., Leggatt-Cook, C., Groot,S. & Chamberlain, K. (2011) 'Near and far': Social distancing in domiciled	1.	Describe the main concerns of health and social psychology.

			characterisations of homeless people. <i>Urban Studies, 48</i> (8) 1739–1753. Recommended: Hepworth, J. (2004). Public health psychology: A conceptual and practical framework. <i>Journal of Health Psychology, 9</i> (1), 41-54.	 Illustrate with examples how health psychology, public health psychology and social psychology contribute to public health research and practice. Use the article by Hodgetts et al. (2011) to explain why social distance is important and how it influences health. Discuss how the research by Hodgetts et al. (2011) applies social psychology to health research. Compare and contrast the research by Hodgetts et al. (2011) with other studies examined throughout the semester.
October 5, 2020	Anthropology Journal Club	Student Presenters	Required: TBD by Student Presenters ASSIGNMENT #1 DUE (D2L Dropbox by 3:00 PM)	
October 7,	Sociology Journal	Student	Required:	
2020 October 12,	Club No Classes –	Presenters	TBD by Student Presenters	
2020	Thanksgiving			
October 14, 2020	Economics in Health Research	Kaylee Ramage	Required: Anand, P., & Lea, S. (2011). The psychology and behavioural economics of poverty. Journal of Economic Psychology, 32(2), 283-293. Primer on writing a good paragraph (PDF posted on D2L) Recommended: Chattopadhyay, S.K., & Carande Kulis, V.G. (2004). Economics of prevention: the public health research agenda. Journal of Public Health Management and Practice, 10(5), 467-471.	 Understand the basic principles of economics (scarcity, opportunity costs, efficiency). Describe the main concerns of health and behavioural economics. Illustrate with examples the contributions that economic research and applied economics makes to health. Use the Anand and Lea (2011) article to illustrate how economic principles can be used to understand povertyand homelessness. Compare and contrast theresearch by and and Lea (2011) with other studies examined throughout the semester. Identify the key components of a well written paragraph. Write a well-structured paragraph.

October 19, 2020	Psychology Journal Club	Student Presenters	Required: TBD by Student Presenters	
October 21, 2020	Political Sciences in Health Research Introduction to Documentary Review (Group project)	Kaylee Ramage	Required: Macnaughton, E., Nelson, G., & Goering, P. (2013). Bringing politics and evidence together: Policy entrepreneurship and the conception of the At Home/Chez Soi Housing First Initiative for addressing homelessness and mental illness in Canada. Social Science & Medicine, 82, 100 -107. Recommended: Brown, L.D. (2010). The Political Face of Public Health. Public Health Reviews, 32 (1), 155-173. Bernier, N.F.& Clavier, C. (2010). Public health policy research: Making the case for apolitical science approach. Health Promotion International, 26 (1), 109-116. Documentary Review Group Sign-Up	 Describe the relevance of concepts of politics, state and power to public health issues; Discuss the issues and questions that most concern political scientists; Illustrate with examples the contributions that political science research and applications make to public health. Gain an appreciation for the complexities associated with policy development and change. Compare and contrast the research article by Macnaughton et al. (2013) with other studies examined throughout the semester.
October 26, 2020	Geography in Health Research	Kaylee Ramage	Required: Pearce, J. (2012). The 'blemish of place': Stigma, geography and health inequalities. A commentary on Tabuchi, Fukuhara & Iso. Social Science & Medicine, 75(11), 1921 - 1924. Recommended: Smyth, F. (2008). Medical geography: Understanding health inequalities. Progress in Human Geography, 32(1), 119-127.	 Understand the concepts of population, place, space and environment. Describe the differences between physical and human geography; and between medical and health geography. Illustrate with examples the contributions that medical and health geography research make to understanding health inequities. Discuss how "place" impacts health, as examined in the film "Place Matters" and in the research by Pearce (2012); identify potential areas of health geography research. Compare and contrast the research by Pearce (2012) with other studies examined throughout the semester.

October 28,	Economics Journal	Student	Required:	
2020	Club	Presenters	TBD by Student Presenters	
November 2, 2020	Epidemiology: Core Public Health Science	Kaylee Ramage	Required: Koegel, P., Melamid, E., & Burnam, A. (1995). Childhood risk factors for homelessness among homeless adults. American Journal of Public Health, 85(12), 1642-9. Recommended: Honjo, K. (2004). Social epidemiology: definition, history, and research examples. Environmental Health & Preventive Medicine, 9(5), 193-199. ASSIGNMENT #2 DUE (D2L Dropbox by 3:00 PM)	 Define Epidemiology as a discipline and describe what epidemiologistsdo. Discuss the core concepts of epidemiology. Illustrate with examples the contributions that epidemiological research and applications has made to public health. Discuss how social epidemiology approaches the social determinants of health using the Koegel et al. (1995) study as an example.
November 4,	Political Science	Student	Required:	
2020	Journal Club	Presenters	TBD by Student Presenters	
November 9,	No Classes – Fall			
2020	Break			
November 11, 2020	No Classes – Fall Break			
November 16,	Geography Journal	Student	Required:	
2020	Club	Presenters	TBD by Student Presenters	
November 18, 2020	Epidemiology Journal Club	Student Presenters	Required: TBD by Student Presenters Documentary Selection Due (to Kayla)	
November 23, 2020	TBD – TA-led Session	Kayla Atchison	Required: TBD	
November 25, 2020	Documentary Review Preparation class		Working session; no lecture. Instructor and TA will be available for questions	

November 30, 2020	Documentary Review Presentations	Student Presenters	2.	Appreciate how the various social sciences and epidemiology can inform our understanding of health and health-related issues. Apply one social science perspective to the understanding of a particular health problem. Using one social science perspective, propose areas for future health research.
December 2, 2020	Documentary Review Presentations	Student Presenters		
December 7, 2020	Documentary Review Presentations	Student Presenters		
December 9, 2020	Review Class	Kaylee Ramage		
Date & Time TBA	Final Exam	Scheduled by Registrar		