



Fall 2017- Peter Jana~Humanities & Kalle Palmer ~ Biology

ESSENTIAL QUESTION: What makes a person healthy? Is healthcare a right or privilege?

DESCRIPTION

Health is the ability of an individual and community to adapt to physical, environmental, and social changes. Conflicts around health equity stem from differences in belief and values about what rights humans are entitled to. The financial, physical, and emotional costs of supporting quality individual and community health can be extensive.

The Health 'n Justice project will explore the biological and philosophical elements of health equity culminating in a community panel run by students. Research conducted during the semester will also be published in a book including individual, community and international health issues.

Case Studies:

1. Heart Disease and Philanthropy
2. Infectious Disease (eg. HIV/AIDS) and For-Profit
3. Environment and Social/Governmental

Deliverables:

1. Contributing to a unit panel
2. Community panel exhibition
3. Health n' Justice project book
4. Graphic for external stakeholder

GUIDING QUESTIONS

- Is healthcare a right or a privilege?
- Under what circumstances are we obligated to help other people? Does it matter whether we know those people or not? Does it matter whether they live in our local community, nation, or another country?
- What makes a person healthy and how are those needs met?
- How do our interactions with our environment and other people impact our health?
- What scientific developments and medical practices can address these needs?
- What social institutions are needed to allow people access to these scientific developments and medical practices (e.g. the free market or public healthcare)? What role, if any, should philanthropy play?

CALENDAR

**Please see class calendars for class specific assignments & All dates are tentative.*

Week 2 - Sept. 6 - Wednesday	Students provide preferences for groups & jobs (book and exhibition)
Week 2 - Sept. 8 - Friday	Announce panel groups and jobs
Week 4 - Sept - 19 - Monday	Start Book. Images lesson
Week 5 - Sept. 29 - Friday	Unit #1 Panel - Heart Disease
Week 6 - Oct 5 - Thursday	Unit 1 Book Due
Week 7 - Oct. 9 - Monday	SLCs
Week 8 - Oct. 19 - Thursday	Unit 2 Book Due
Week 9 - Oct. 26 - Thursday	Unit #2 Panel - International HIV/AIDS epidemic All Bio for book due
Week 12- Nov. 16- Thursday	Book Submissions Turned In
Week 12- Nov. 17- Friday	Gratitude Day + Book Layout with Editors/Kalle/Peter Send Book to Printer
Week 13 - Dec. 1- Friday	Unit #3 Panel - Flint Water Crisis
Week 15- Dec. 12- Tuesday	Team Exhibition: Community Panel
Week 15- Dec. 14- Thursday	School Wide Exhibition