



NS272A: Culture, Health and Illness

Module Details

Title:	Culture, Health and Illness APPROVED
Long Title:	NS272A - Culture, Health and Illness
Language of Instruction:	English

Module Code:	NS272A
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Credits:	5
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NFQ Level:	8
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Field of Study:	Nursing and caring
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Valid From:	2019/20 (Sep 2019)
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Module Delivered In	4 programme(s)
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Module Description:	The module aims to introduce students to basic concepts and themes in the anthropology of health and healthcare. It covers issues related to culture; body; pain; healthcare encounters; healthcare pluralism; popular, folk and biomedical sectors; patient mobility and biomedicines in a globalised world; healthcare and visible minority patients. By using illustrations from ground level studies of the day-to-day experience of health and illness in both western and non-western societies, the module provides students with a fresh and stimulating perspective on the ways in which human suffering is grounded in larger social and cultural contexts.
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Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this module the learner will be able to:

LO1	Develop a dynamic understanding of the notion of culture
LO2	Appreciate the importance of culture in health and health care
LO3	Explore the implications of globalisation and cultural diversity for health and healthcare in Ireland
LO4	Demonstrate the ability to apply this knowledge to a variety of cases

Pre-requisite learning

Module Recommendations

This is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is mandatory before enrolment in this module is allowed. You may not enrol on this module if you have not acquired the learning specified in this section.

No recommendations listed

Co-requisite Modules

No Co-requisite modules listed

Pre-Requisite

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No Pre-Requisites listed

Module Content & Assessment
Indicative Content and Learning Activities
Cultural boundaries and cultural encounters
 n/a

The body in culture
 n/a

Expressing suffering
 n/a

Narrating and explaining illness
 n/a

Healthcare pluralism
 n/a

The popular healthcare sector
 n/a

The folk healthcare sector
 n/a

The professional biomedical sector
 n/a

Patient mobility and biomedicines
 n/a

Assessment Breakdown
%

Continuous Assessment

100.00%

Continuous Assessment

<i>Assessment Type</i>	<i>Assessment Description</i>	<i>Outcome Addressed</i>	<i>% of total</i>	<i>Assessment Date</i>
Assignment	n/a		100.00	n/a

No End of Module Formal Examination

Reassessment Pre-Requisite
Coursework Only
This module is reassessed solely on the basis of re-submitted coursework. There is no repeat written examination.

DCU reserves the right to alter the nature and timings of assessment



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Module Workload

Full Time hours per semester		
<i>WorkLoad Type</i>	<i>WorkLoad Description</i>	<i>Hours</i>
Lecture	No Description	24
Independent Study	No Description	51
Fieldwork	No Description	50
	Total Hours	125.00

This module has no Part Time workload.

Module Resources

Essential Book Resources

Helman, C.G. 2007, *Culture, Health and Illness*, Arnold London

Supplementary / Recommended Book Resources

Moore, Ronnie and McClean, Stuart (eds) 2010, *Folk Healing and Health Care Practices in Britain and Ireland. Stethoscopes, Wands and Crystals*, Berghahn London

Essential Article/Paper Resources

Sharp, L. 2000, *The commodification of the body and its parts*, Annual Review of Anthropology, 29, 287-3

Spitzer, D. 2004, *Invisible bodies: minority women, nurses, time, and the new economy of care*, Medical Anthropology Quarterly, 18, 4, 490-5

Stan. S. 2015, *Transnational healthcare practices of Romanian migrants in Ireland: inequalities of access and the privatisation of healthcare services in Europe*, Social Science and Medicine, January, 124, 346-3

This module does not have any other resources

Module Delivered In

Programme Code	<i>Programme Title</i>
BNGN	BSc in Nursing (General) (Approved)
BNGN	BSc in Nursing (General) (Draft)
BNID	BSc in Nursing (Intellectual Disability) (Draft)
BNPY	BSc in Nursing (Mental Health) (Draft)

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