Part Time Lecturer—Health Policy in a Global World


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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course introduces students to key concepts in health policy formation, implementation and evaluation in a global context. Using a comparative lens, students explore organization, financing and delivery of health care services and health systems around the world. We examine the role of governmental and non-governmental agencies in delivering care and contributing to a health care infrastructure using case studies and other materials in a comparative approach. Key lessons in the implementation of new health policies and initiatives are explored across the developing world, as well as in a US as students explore health system performance, the quality and cost of care, the management of health care services, the process of health improvement and health reform. The course will use a multidisciplinary approach that employs sociological, political, economics, and ethical perspectives. The objective is to build an understanding of the fundamental ideas, issues, and problems currently debated in global health policy and management and to provide a foundation for future studies and careers in the global health field. Epidemiology in a Global World and Health and Society in a Global Context are recommended but not required pre-requisites for the course.

DESIRED OUTCOMES:

By the conclusion of the course, students will be able to:

- Discuss the ways in which public policy decisions affect health care and health outcomes;
- Identify the major components of health care systems;
- Describe how social, economic, and political factors affect health insurance and payment systems, access to and utilization of healthcare, and the supply, training, and remuneration of health care providers;
- Discuss frameworks and ethical issues that arise in assessing health care provision and system performance;
- Use publicly available data sources to describe and discuss outcomes and features of health care systems in the United States and other countries; and
- Compare the US health care system features to those of other countries and discuss their implications.
TEACHING & LEARNING EXPECTATIONS:

The instructor will combine his or her own lectures (based on common readings) with classroom discussions, debates and activities that he or she will facilitate. Small-group research exercises and student presentations can be encouraged, as appropriate. All student work is to be marked and commented upon by the instructor.

EXPECTATION OF HOURS:

The semester is 15 weeks and classes meet once a week for 2.5 hours. In addition to the time required for course preparation, classroom instruction, and marking, the instructor is required to hold a minimum of one set 60-minute “office hour” at NYU London per week, during which time she or he will be available to meet with students.

FACULTY QUALIFICATIONS:

Applicants should have a PhD in a related field. It is expected that the post-holder will have a minimum of 2 to 3 years teaching at the university level; experience teaching American undergraduates is helpful.

APPLICATIONS:

Terms and conditions will be discussed with the successful applicant. The successful candidate should have the right to live and work in the UK prior to appointment. Applications, in the form of a C.V. and letter of interest should arrive no later than 31 May 2016 by e-mail to Luke Harper at luke.harper@nyu.ac.uk. Informal enquiries can be made to Dr Amy Rowe at amy.rowe@nyu.ac.uk. We regret we are unable to individually notify unsuccessful candidates.