

SOHE 329--Medical Humanities

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In this course, students will investigate the ethical, social, and cultural issues of medicine through study and field experience in a hospital setting.

I. Course description

Drawing from a variety of disciplines in the humanities, this course provides students with an interdisciplinary perspective on the practice of medicine in a clinical setting. Students will engage in weekly shadowing rounds at Baptist Memorial Hospital—North Mississippi (Oxford) and local clinics in which they will shadow a variety of health care professionals, including doctors, nurses, chaplains, and social workers. Students will also attend weekly seminar discussions in which they will critically reflect on their field experience and integrate assigned readings with their clinical observations. Readings will draw from perspectives in the humanities (history, literature, philosophy, religious studies, culture studies, etc.). This course is well-suited for students interested in a variety of healthcare-related careers, including public policy, social work, administration, and chaplaincy.

II. Course schedule

Tuesdays, 8:30-10:30am: clinical shadowing at Baptist Memorial Hospital, Oxford, MS and local clinics

Thursdays, 9:30-10:45am: seminar discussion on campus

* SOHE 329 fulfills one of the course requirements for the Minor in Society and Health. However, *it is open to any student with permission of instructor*; enrollment limited to 12 students.

The link to apply for admission to this course is found on the Society and Health website: sohe.olemiss.edu.

If you have any questions about this course, please contact Dr. Sarah Moses, Dept. of Philosophy & Religion, smoses@olemiss.edu or Lynn Woo, Center for Population Studies, lcwoo@olemiss.edu.