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Course Overview:
In this seminar, we ask how anthropological perspectives can help us better understand past, contemporary, and emerging human health issues. We will examine the intersections among health, environment, culture, and biology, considering theoretical frameworks as well as specific health issues that may include (but are not necessarily limited to): the concept of adaptation, human rights and health, structural violence and health, plagues and infectious diseases, mental health, gender and health, and health and nutrition in the past.

Students should expect to participate to a high degree and contribute to the direction of class discussion.

This course connects to the following departmental Learning Outcomes:
Analyze, evaluate and apply anthropological theories to address contemporary, historical, social and global issues.

Analyze and evaluate quantitative and qualitative research in anthropology, and the social sciences generally.

Critically reflect on culture, social relations and social structures in order to develop a broader and deeper understanding of social problems.

Communicate effectively, accurately and professionally, in traditional and innovative written and oral forms, including visual and technological.

Demonstrate leadership, teamwork, accountability, personal organization and time management.

Readings: Articles and book chapters available online or at the Library.

Evaluation Methods: TBA, but will include a final poster conference and seminar facilitation.