

University of Western Ontario
Faculty of Health Sciences
Bachelor of Health Sciences Program
Health Sciences 3400A
HEALTH POLICY
Fall 2010

1. Course Description

An introduction to health policy with reference to Canadian health policy. Relevant topics to be covered in this course are:

- a) health policy development
- b) individuals involved in health policy formation
- c) environments for health policy creation
- d) health policy models
- e) implementation and evaluation of health policy

Pre-requisite: Health Sciences 1000

Requirements:

- a) Successful completion of Health Sciences 1000 or Health Sciences 1001A/B and Health Sciences 1002A/B
- b) Written consent obtained from the Dean of Health Sciences to enroll in Health Sciences 3400A – Health Policy

In the event the two above-mentioned requirements have not been fulfilled and you have enrolled in this course, no course fee adjustment will be permitted. Auditing of this course is not permitted.

2. Course Information

Lecture Times and Location: Each Thursday from September 16, 2010 to December 2, 2010
From 3:30pm to 6:30pm
Natural Science Room 145

Instructor: Dr. Chau Tran, PhD

Teaching Assistants: Jacobi Elliott
Shannon Janzen
Allyson Lee

Office Hours: By written request for appointment

Office Location: Faculty of Health Sciences

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3.2 Lecture Slides

Lecture presentations from the course instructor will be posted on WebCT before class. They will remain on WebCT for a period of two weeks before it is removed. It is the student's responsibility to download and print off such lecture presentations from WebCT. The lecture presentations will be made available in PDF format, 3 slides per page with space for notes. In no manner can the lecture material be copied, duplicated, modified, or used without the course instructors written permission. Lecture 1 and lecture 2 presentations will be posted with the full complement of slides. Lecture 3 to 11 presentations will be posted with a reduced number of slides (e.g., 5 random slides will be poa

This exam will cover the entire course content from

- a) lectures from September 16, 2010 to December 2, 2010
- b) assigned course readings: all journal articles assigned from September 16, 2010 to December 2, 2010
- c) assigned text readings: Chapters 1 to 9 and the Conclusion from the text, Connecting Policy to Practice in Human Services
- d) assigned text readings: Chapters 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 from the text, Health Systems in Transition in Canada

Of note, any communiqué between the student and the author(s) of the journal articles will not be utilized as exam material.

Examination conduct of students will be in accordance with the UWO policy on Administration of Examinations as found at:

<http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/exam/administration.pdf>

Students are not permitted to retain a copy of the mid-term or final exam questions.

Computer-marked multiple-choice tests and/or exams may be subject to submission for similarity review by software that will check for unusual coincidences in answer patterns that may indicate cheating, a Scholastic Offence. In addition, for written responses to short answer questions, the responses may be subjected to the use of the service as outlined in the licensing agreement, currently between the UWO and Turnitin.com (<http://www.turnitin.com>).

The consequences of cheating or plagiarism will be in alignment with the Preamble on Scholastic Discipline for Undergraduate Students at the University of Western Ontario as found at http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/scholastic_discipline_undergrad.pdf.

Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to familiarize themselves with the definition of a Scholastic Offence in accordance with the UWO Policy on a Scholastic Offence as found at: <http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/scholoff.pdf>.

If you have missed an exam, it is important that you notify the Academic Council <http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/appeal.html>

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Each will have the choice of one of 3 topics which are current health policy topics.
Details will be provided in class and posted on WebCT in the near future.
Due November 18, 2010 by 9am EST sharp.

Marking of Written Assignments

All written assignments may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to the commercial plagiarism detection software under license to the UWO for the detection of plagiarism. All written work submitted for such checking will be included as source documents in the reference database for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of papers subsequently submitted to the system. Use of the service is subject to the licensing agreement, currently between the UWO and Turnitin.com (<http://www.turnitin.com>).

Late Assignments

A late assignment will be penalized 10% for each part or full day, subsequent to the due date. To illustrate, if an assignment is due on October 12, 2010 and it is submitted October 13, 2010, it is late one day. It is graded and receives a mark of 40/50. However, since it is late, a 10% reduction in marks applies, i.e., a deduction of 4 marks. Therefore the final mark is 36/50.

3 Participation

Participation will be determined via:

- a) surprise quizzes as posted on WebCT on one day after the lecture and will be posted for 24 hours, from 8pm on the Thursday to 8pm on the next day, Friday
- b) surprise quizzes will be announced at the end of a randomly selected lecture by the course instructor
- c) content from the surprise quizzes will generally be more recent content as required as readings or presented in the lecture
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Dr. Iris Gutmanis – guest speaker at 5:30pm

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- i) Text: Chapter 7 - Connecting Policy to Practice in Human Services

Articles:

- a) Tompkins 2010 – Diabetes
- b) Sanyal 2008 – Diabetes Nova Scotia
- c) Scott 2004 – Access to e-health information

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- i) Text: Chapter 8 - Connecting Policy to Practice in Human Services

Articles:

- a) Greaves 2009 – 2nd hand smoke policies for women
- b) Stewart 2006 – Immigrant policies for caregivers

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- i) Text: Chapter 9 - Connecting Policy to Practice in Human Services

Articles:

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