

The University of Western Ontario
School of Health Studies

Health Sciences 4410A

Future of Health Care

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Lectures: Thursdays 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. HSB 35
Tutorials: Tuesdays 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. HSB 35

Prerequisite

Enrolment in third or fourth year of a Bachelor of Health Sciences Program

Prerequisite Checking

Unless you have either the requisites for this course or written special permission from your Dean to enroll in it, you may be removed from this course and it will be deleted from your record. This decision may not be appealed. You will receive no adjustment to your fees in the event that you are dropped from a course for failing to have the necessary prerequisites.

Course Information

Course Description:

Canada's health care system is facing significant challenges and structural reforms. Students will learn how Canada's system is performing relative to other countries. Based on these international experiences and other forces of change, students will investigate what needs to change in order to create a sustainable system for the future.

Course Objectives:

The learning objectives of this course are for students to:

- Identify and explain the key strengths and vulnerabilities of the Canadian health care system
- Identify significant trends occurring in health care in Canada
- Understand health care trends and developments in other countries
- Identify key sources for information about health care trends in other countries
- Explore the requirements for future sustainability in Canada's health care system

Course Website

<http://webct.uwo.ca>

This course is supported by WebCT. All course information will be made available there. Please monitor the announcements menu on the course website for any changes or cancellations in lectures, tutorials or readings.

Learning Perspective

Student learning is the shared responsibility of both students and the faculty. Every attempt will be made to make classes stimulating and motivating using active learning principles. Active student involvement is expected. Students are expected to come to class prepared and ready to participate, work collaboratively with, and contribute to the learning of their classmates, and to notify the instructor if the pace of the lectures is too fast or too slow. Comments, suggestions and constructive feedback are always welcome and appreciated.

Student Responsibilities

Students are expected to attend all classes as material covered during lectures may not be in your readings and the majority of material for the final exam will come from classroom content, including group presentations. It is the students' responsibility to complete the required readings and come to class prepared to discuss the content outlined. Responsibility for note taking is that of students. If you are having any problems or difficulties with any aspect of the

Evaluation

Students' academic performance will be assessed in the following ways:

	Percentage of grade	Due date
A. Midterm Exam	25%	October 13, 2011
B. Group Assignment#1 Class Presentation	20%	November 3, 10, 17, 2011
C. Group Assignment#2 Final Paper	20%	November 24, 2011
D. Final examination	35%	During final exam period

A. Mid term examination (25%)

There will be a mid term examination in class on **October 13, 2011** covering all the material discussed in the course up to and including October 13, 2011. The exam will consist of five essay style questions.

B. Group Assignment#1 (20%)

Students will be assigned to groups to work on a class presentation

The group paper must meet the following technical requirements:

- Title page with title of assignment, student name, student

Academic integrity:

Misrepresenting the work of others as your own, constitutes academic dishonesty and is a major academic offence in the University (see Scholastic Offence Policy in the UWO Academic Calendar).
Ensure that you know

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

Student Code of Conduct

The purpose of the Code of Student Conduct is to define the general standard of conduct expected of students registered at The University of Western Ontario, provide examples of behaviour that constitutes a breach of this standard of conduct, provide examples of sanctions that may be imposed, and set out the disciplinary procedures that the University will follow. For more information, visit <http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/board/code.pdf>.

English Proficiency for the Assignment of Grades

Visit the website <http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/exam/english.pdf>.

Accommodation for Medical Illness or Non Medical Absences

http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/accommodation_medical.pdf

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Scholastic Offences

Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following website: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/scholastic_discipline_undergrad.pdf .

Additionally,

1. All required papers may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to the commercial plagiarism detection software under license to the University for the detection of plagiarism. All papers 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 University of Western Ontario and Turnitin.com (<http://www.turnitin.com>).
2. 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.

Support Services

There are various support services around campus and these include, but are not limited to:

1. Student Development Centre <http://www.sdc.uwo.ca/ssd/>
2. Student Health <http://www.shs.uwo.ca/student/studenthealthservices.html>
3. Registrar's Office <http://www.registrar.uwo.ca/>
4. Ombuds Office <http://www.uwo.ca/ombuds/>