UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Social Sciences

2021-1-I0202D005-I0202D019M

Aims

The aim of the course is to highlight how health knowledge is intertwined with significant economic, social and cultural as well as scientific dimensions and how the concepts of health, health, care, pathology must be inserted in an anthropological context to be fully understood.
Medical knowledge and its historical applications thus become a set of elements of knowledge, of operating practices, of cultural and social visions that intertwine with the various dimensions that rotate and materialize around the representation of 'health' and 'personal well-being and social ', including the ethical issues that guide the underlying values.

Contents

SOCIAL SCIENCES The purpose of these Lectures is to introduce students to the comprehension of some basic processes by which everyday life takes place. Special attention is placed on social transformations

Detailed program

Reflections on the defining criteria of the concept of 'health', 'disease', 'quality of life', 'normality', 'pathology'
Bioethical notes around the 'power to decide' in medicine
The relationship with the patient from a contractual point of view
Medical anthropology and health models

Prerequisites

none

Teaching form

Lectures

During the Covid-19 emergency period, lessons will take place remotely asynchronously or videoconference with some events in synchronously and some in physical presence.

Textbook and teaching resource

Donatella Cozzi (a cura di). Le parole dell'antropologia medica. Piccolo dizionario. Morlacchi Editore

Daniel Callahan. La medicina impossibile. Le utopie e gli errori della medicina moderna. Baldini & Castaldi, Milano, 2004.

Arthur Kleinman. Concepts and a Model for the Comparison of Medical Systems as Cultural Systems. Social Sciences & Medicine, vol 12, 85-93, 1978

George L. Engel . The Need for a New Medical Model: A Challenge for Biomedicine. Science, New Series, Vol. 196, No. 4286. (Apr. 8, 1977), pp. 129-136.

www.filosofia-medicina.net/

K.Jaspers. Il medico nell'età della tecnica. Milano, Cortina, 1991

Christopher Boorse. Health as a Theoretical Concept, *Philosophy of Science,* Vol. 44, No. 4 (Dec., 1977), pp. 542-573

Boorse, C., 1975. "On The Distinction Between Disease and Illness," *Philosophy and Public Affairs*, 5: 49–68.

Semester

Second Semester

Assessment method

Written exam: quizzes with single / multiple choice and open questions with brief answer.

Final oral exam at the discretion of the teacher or on the student's proposal regarding the project

During the Covid-19 emergency period the exam will take place electronically with proctoring control.

Office hours

You receive by appointment