

**Course syllabus – part A****48SJO-ECAoM****2024****ECTS: 1.50****SUBJECT MATTER CONTENT:**

The phenomenon of health and disease is highly culturally modified. Cultural context determines:

what is an illness/disease and what's not, right or wrong ways of treatment, gives meaning to both health and disease, and even decides when and how to die. Even in contemporary technological age of reason the terms: disease and health are not free from cultural interpretation.

The following topics will be discussed: 1. Introduction to Anthropology of Medicine.

Medicine as an Ethnographic category- Ethnomedicine. 2. Illness and disease - anthropological approach to medicine.

3. Divination and Diagnosis as a Sociocultural Process (Theories of Natural Causation, Theories of Supernatural Causation, Social Consequences). 4. The role of Beliefs and Customs in medical practice. 5. The Position of Patient (afflicted) in Society. 6. Conceptions of Healing - Statuses and Roles 7. Ethnopsychiatry and Ethnopharmacology.

TEACHING OBJECTIVE:

The main aim of the course is to familiarize students with the basic knowledge of medical anthropology and present how phenomenon of health and disease is culturally modified.

DESCRIPTION OF THE LEARNING OUTCOMES OF THE COURSE IN RELATION TO THE DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SECOND LEVEL LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR QUALIFICATIONS AT LEVELS 6-8 OF THE POLISH QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORK IN RELATION TO THE SCIENTIFIC DISCIPLINES AND THE EFFECTS FOR FIELDS OF STUDY:**Symbols for outcomes related to the discipline:**

M/NMA_P7S_KO+, M/NMA_P7S_UW+, M/NMA_P7S_WG++

Symbols for outcomes related to the field of study:

K.1.+, D.U1.+, D.W2.+, D.W5.+

LEARNING OUTCOMES (Knowledge, Skills, Social competence):

- K1** In terms of competences, (indicated by letter K- Polish language term "K"- / "competences"), the graduate is able to: establishing and maintaining deep and respectful contact with the patient, as well as demonstrating understanding of worldview and cultural differences.

Legal acts specifying learning outcomes: 467/2024 (Medicine),
Status of the course:
Group of courses:
Discipline: Other Humanities

Program: Medicine
Form of studies: full-time
Level of studies: uniform master's studies

Introductory subject: N/A

Prerequisites: N/A

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- U1** In terms of skills, (indicated by letter U - Polish language term "U" - / "skills"), the graduate is able to: adhere to ethical standards in professional actions, including planning and conducting therapeutic processes in accordance with ethical values and the idea of humanism in medicine.
- W1** In terms of knowledge, (indicated by letter W - Polish language term "wiedza" - W/ "knowledge"), the graduate knows and understands: concepts of health and illness, the impact of the social environment (family, work, social relationships), and socio-cultural factors (origin, social status, religion, nationality, and ethnic group) on the patient's health.
- W2** In terms of knowledge, (indicated by letter W - Polish language term "wiedza" - W/ "knowledge"), the graduate knows and understands: social attitudes in regard to illness, disability, and old age, including the specific influence of stereotypes, prejudices, and discrimination;

TEACHING FORMS AND METHODS:

Classes-['W1', 'U1', 'W2', 'K1']-seminar - open discussion, presentation-The phenomenon of health and disease is highly culturally modified. Cultural context determines: what is an illness/disease and what's not, right or wrong ways of treatment, gives meaning to both health and disease, and even decides when and how to die. Even in contemporary technological age of reason the terms: disease and health are not free from cultural interpretation. The following topics will be discussed: 1. Introduction to Anthropology of Medicine. Medicine as an Ethnographic category- Ethnomedicine. 2. Illness and disease - anthropological approach to medicine. 3. Divination and Diagnosis as a Sociocultural Process (Theories of Natural Causation, Theories of Supernatural Causation, Social Consequences). 4. The role of Beliefs and Customs in medical practice. 5. The Position of Patient (afflicted) in Society. 6 Conceptions of Healing - Statuses and Roles 7. Ethnopsychiatry and Ethnopharmacology.

FORM AND CONDITIONS OF VERIFYING LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Classes-(Colloquium test)-['W1', 'U1', 'W2']-checking knowledge of medical anthropology
Classes-(Part in the discussion)-['U1', 'K1']-Active participation in class discussions

Literature:

1. **Theories of Illness. A world survey**, Georg Peter Murdock, University of Pittsburgh, 1989, Strony: , Tom: (literatura podstawowa)
2. **Medical Anthropology, Regional Perspectives and Shared Concerns**, ed. Francine Saillant, Serge Genest, , 2007, Strony: , Tom: (literatura podstawowa)
3. **Introducing Medical Anthropology: A Discipline in Action**, ed. Merrill Singer, Hans Baer, , 2009, Strony: , Tom: (literatura podstawowa)
4. **Handbook of Medical Anthropology. Contemporary Theory and Method**, ed. Thomas M. Johnson, Carolyn F. Sargent, , 1996, Strony: , Tom: (literatura uzupełniająca)
5. **Cultural, Disease and Healing. Studies in Medical Anthropology**, , ed. David Landy, , 1977, Strony: , Tom: (literatura uzupełniająca)
6. **A Companion to Medical Anthropology**, ed. Merrill Singer and Pamela I. Erickson, Blackwell, 2011, Strony: , Tom: (literatura podstawowa)



Detailed description of ECTS credits awarded - part B

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2024

ECTS: 1.50

The number of ECTS credits awarded consists of:

1. Contact hours with the academic teacher:

- participation in:	20 h
- consultation	2 h
Total:	22 h

2. Independent work of a student:

preparation for colloquium	15.50 h
Total:	15.50 h

Total (contact hours + independent work of a student): 37.50 h

1 ECTS credit = 25-30 h of an average student's work, number of ECTS,
ECTS Points = 37.50 h : 25 h/ECTS = **1.50** ECTS

Average: 1.50 ECTS

- including the number of ECTS credits for contact hours with the direct participation of an academic teacher	0.88 ECTS
- including the number of ECTS credits for hours of independent work of a student	0.62 ECTS