SPSTA494-001  Health Professions Seminar

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Office Hours

Daily 9a-10a walk-ins welcome or by appointment
MF 11a-4:30p by appointment only
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Goals:
To introduce interested students to a variety of resources and opportunities related to healthcare professions.
To inspire students to actively pursue and procure information regarding these fields.

Requirements:
Attend at least seven seminars or other events that have been pre-approved for this course during the current semester. Subsequently, write and submit a brief reflection (no more than one page) for each event attended. Reflections will be due by the end of the week in which the presentation occurred (due date and time posted on Bb).
At the end of the semester, one last summary reflection reviewing all seven events attended will be submitted.

Note:
A. All of the written assignments are to be done by word processing/12font/MLA guidelines.
B. Remember falsifying or copying information is considered cheating. Please review the section on “Academic honesty, Integrity of Scholarship and Grades” in the Loyola University Bulletin. Plagiarism will result in an automatic failure of this course. [http://2015bulletin.loyno.edu/academic-honor-code and http://2012bulletin.loyno.edu/integrity-scholarships-and-grades].
C. It is suggested that you keep all assignments and research information on a special disk devoted to this course.

Grading:
Attendance for all pre-approved events will be recorded via a sign-in sheet and/or an electronic ID swipe device.
Pre-approved events will be posted on the course Bb site and will be updated as events are scheduled.
Each event reflection, up to a total of seven events for which attendance has been recorded, will count for up to 12 points toward the student’s course grade. The final reflection paper will count for 16 points.

Final grades will be determined using the following grade scale (Plus and minus grade splits will be decided within these ranges):

| 90 % - 100 % --- A | 80 % - 89 % --- B | 70 % - 79 % --- C |
| 60 % - 69 % --- D | Below 60 % --- F |

As there will be many possible pre-approved events for students to attend over the course of the semester, no extra credit or bonus work will be offered or considered. No late assignments will be accepted.
Resources:

Students should access this course, SPSTA494 Health Professions Seminar, on Bb regularly in order to obtain the most current information.

Other additional resources can be accessed through the Bb course called: “14f-ACAGRP-W01: Health Professions Info for Students.” Students may self-enroll to access information posted there.

Regular announcements will be made via email and Blackboard announcement regarding upcoming events.

Writing assistance can be found in the Student Success Center Writing Lab located in Marquette Hall 112.

If you have a disability and wish to receive accommodations, please contact The Office of Disability Services at 504-865-2990. If you wish to receive test accommodations (e.g., extended test time), you will need to give the course instructor an official Accommodation Form from Disability Services. The Office of Disability Services is located in Marquette Hall 110/112.

Mandatory Email:

All students have access to e-mail accounts on campus (username@loyno.edu). This handy tool will allow us to communicate efficiently with all students in order to inform you of important changes or news associated with the course. It can also be used as a remote means of asking questions of me or of each other. The only e-mail address the instructor will use to communicate with you is the one assigned to you by Loyola. Remember to check it at least once a day even if it is not the one you normally use.

University Suspension of Operations:

Suspension of operations may result in an extension of the semester to make up class days. All dates and information are subject to change if such an event should occur. Blackboard will be our mode of communication in case of emergency. You should try to access Blackboard within 48 hours or sooner in case of an evacuation or emergency closure.

A. In the event that there is an interruption to our course due to cancellation of classes by the University as a result of an emergency, we will continue our course on Blackboard within 48 hours after cancellation.

B. All students are required to sign on to Blackboard and to keep up with course assignments within 48 hours of evacuation and routinely check announcements and course materials associated with each class. Class handouts will be posted under “Course Materials”.

C. Students should be familiar with their responsibilities during emergencies, including pre evacuation and post evacuation for hurricanes. This information is available on the Academic Affairs web site: http://academicaffairs.loyno.edu/students-emergency-responsibilities

D. Additional emergency-planning information is also available: http://academicaffairs.loyno.edu/continuity-operations-plans