TRMD 6100 Health and Human Rights

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Credits: 1

Semester(s) Offered: Spring, Summer

Course Description:

This course is designed to provide a forum for discussion of pertinent issues in global health and human rights and to motivate students to become active advocates for their resolution. Students will participate in daily discussions with local and national experts in public health, clinical medicine, and health sciences research who are also strong advocates for human rights. The speakers will stress the importance of addressing the underlying social, political, and economic factors influencing health. Speakers will give examples from their background and the motivations for their career choices and discuss the skills and strategies necessary to become effective advocates for health and human rights.
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Learning Objectives:

1. Define and describe human rights and their relevance to biological health.
2. Identify and describe the diverse biological, social, political, and economic factors that influence health.
3. Describe the health professional’s role in addressing these diverse factors.
4. Describe practical organizing and advocacy skills and how to apply them to create positive change.