**Course title**
Medical Sociology

**Affiliated department, Job title, Name**
Graduate School of Medicine, Associate Professor, IWAKUMA MIHO

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**[Outline and Purpose of the Course]**

Course Description
Medical sociology is a scholarly discipline which investigates global issues concerning sickness, health, and medicine using sociological theories and methods. (Sociology of health and medicine by Yamazaki et al, 2001)

This course covers, in addition to sociology, such areas as anthropology, communication studies, history, philosophy, and/or ethics.

**[Course Goals]**

Course Goals and Objectives
- Understand general ideas about medical sociology
- Understand frameworks, theories, and concepts that are relevant to medical sociology
- Find own research domain in medical sociology
- Provide perspectives and vocabularies for medicine from humanities and social sciences

**[Course Schedule and Contents]**

1/30 Introduction
2/6 Basics of medical sociology
3/13 Sick role, stigma & other concepts of medical sociology
4/18 IPE/IPW
5/6 A guest lecture from "NicoToma" (a hospital volunteer group)
6/4 Medical sociology and communication
7/11 Course wrap-up

**[Class requirement]**
None

**[Method, Point of view, and Attainment levels of Evaluation]**

Course Grade
Participation 50%
Term paper 50%
  title 15% + final version 35%

**[Textbook]**
Not used

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[Reference books, etc.]
(Reference books)

[Regarding studies out of class (preparation and review)]
Lectures, group-work, and/or discussion

(Others (office hour, etc.) )
Message
  class participation by the student is highly valued
  Suitable for students who are interested in social science perspectives in medicine and science
  Consult with me ASAP for any disability-related accommodation @ mhiwakuma@yahoo.co.jp or ext. 4668.
  A guest lecture is given in Japanese.

*Please visit KULASIS to find out about office hours.