

SYLLABUS

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Office Hours: M 10-12; TuTh 3:15-4pm and by appointment

Books/Readings: Women Resisting AIDS, Schneider & Stoller
Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome, Stine (3rd edition)
AS REAL AS IT GETS, Pogash
Reserve readings as appropriate: "The Wedding Gift", NYT OR
Nevid 1993 HIV/STD's OR
Scheper-Hughes
Human Rights in Cuba OR
Pilkington, Kern & Indest.

HIV Plus (OR)

"Safer Sex and Romance." OR

AIDS and Anthropology Bulletin April 2001 13(2) OR
Steinglass: "It Takes a Village Healer."

Websites/Search

Engines: Yahoo/Google
SUNYPAEG: <http://www.2.potsdam.edu/clubs/aeg>
<http://www.aegis.com>
<http://www.vaxgen.com/mission.htm>
<http://www.vaxgen.com/vaccine.htm>
<http://www.vaxgen.com/qanda.htm>
<http://www.gmhc.org> (GMHC)
<http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/stats/hasrlink.htm> (CDC stats)
<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/ai/about.html> (AIDS Institute, NY)
<http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/aids/hivtest.htm> (HIV testing in NY)
<http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/research/hiv aids.htm> (stats or HIV in NY)
<http://www.sfaf.org/treatment/beta/b41/b41sexual.html> (treatment and risk stats)
http://www.aggressive.org/nurse_stat_current.htm
<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/wk/mm5021.pdf>
<http://www.cdc.gov/nchstp/od/20years.htm>
<http://www.GeneEd.com>
<http://www.cnn.com/SPECIALS/2001/aids>
Google: AmFAR Treatment Directory

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Evaluation: A 15-20 page research paper is required. The format, deadline for submission and grade breakdown are attached. Your final grade is 20% class participation and 80% paper.

Requirements: 1) The research paper is our formal source of evaluation. Deadlines are non-negotiable.
2) Class attendance is mandatory. I follow the attendance policy described in the college catalog. After three unexcused absences, you will be asked to drop the course.
3) Class preparation and participation are required and mandatory. It is the only way I know that the course objectives can be met.
4) ANT 150 Human Sexuality - prerequisite.

ANT Major/GEP: This course meets the 400 Level course requirement for the major. It fills the GEP mode SA and is an upper division elective.

Objectives: The anthropological perspectives of holism and relativism are the foundation of this course. AIDS, a global health problem, effects the species at all levels of our being. We are going to examine AIDS medically, biologically, culturally, economically, politically, and behaviorally. We will apply these perspectives to specific groups as relevant. We will be doing anthropology.

The agenda for this course is to reach a cognitive understanding of AIDS which is internalized so that our attitudes and behaviors keep ourselves and others healthy and safe.

This class will be conducted as a seminar. This means that assigned readings are done so that class discussion of the readings can be held. You are expected to come to class prepared to discuss, question, and apply the readings. The topics are a guide and we will proceed through them at the group's pace. Confidentiality and trust are integral parts of the course. I will do what I can to create a safe, trusting environment in which each of us and the group can explore this phenomenon.

As much as possible, I will try to bring in guest lecturers who have specific expertise in various fields of AIDS work.

NO CLASSES: Tuesday, 10/09/01; Thursday, 11/22/01

PAPERS DUE: Thursday, December 6, 2001

PROPOSED TOPICS

- I. Intro to course
- II. Confidentiality
How to do a research paper
- III. The Anthropological Perspective As it Applies to AIDS
- IV. The Anthropology of Health and Illness
- V. The Biology and Virology of AIDS
- VI. The Epidemiology of AIDS
- VII. Medical Aspects of AIDS
- VIII. The Politics of AIDS
- IX. The Economics of AIDS
- X. Socio-psychological Dimensions of AIDS
- XI. Women and AIDS
- XII. AIDS and Risk Taking: Trust
- XIII. AIDS and Sexuality
- XIV. AIDS and Drugs
- XV. HIV Test Issues
- XVI. The Personal Dimension of AIDS
- XVII. AIDS: Grieving and Loss
- XVIII. AIDS and Humanity: What we've been given. Where we go.

Readings: Intro to course

Schneider & Stoller: Int, AIDS in the 90's
 Stine: Chapter 1 + 2
 The Anthropological Perspective as it Applies to AIDS
 Vollmer Article (handout)
 The Biology & Virology of AIDS
 Schneider & Stoller: Greenblatt 124-139
 Stine: Chapter 3, 5
 Guest Speaker: Dr. T. Budd, Biology Prof.,
 St. Lawrence University
 The Epidemiology of AIDS
 MMWR/CDC update
 Schneider & Stoller:
 Hollibaugh, 219
 Bianco, 335
 Mtshali, 162
 Reback, 170
 Schoepf, 246
 Lewis, 57
 Stine: Chapters 10, 11, 12
 Steinglass: "It Takes a Village Healer" OR
 Video: "AIDS in Africa"
 Medical Aspects of AIDS
 Pogash: Book
 Schneider & Stoller:
 Dennison, 195
 Fraser & Jones, 286
 Rodriquez-Trias & Marte, 301-322
 Stine: Chapters 4, 6, 7
 Video: "AIDS Beyond the Hospital;" "AIDS" (NOVA); "Living with HIV."
 The Politics of AIDS
 Video: "And The Band Played On"
 Schneider & Stoller:
 Schneider & Jenness, 74
 Alexander, 99
 Sosnowitz, 139
 Hunter, 32
 Stoller, 270
 Stine: Chapter 17
 Scheper-Hughes (OR): Cuba
 AARG Bulletin April 2001 OR
 The Economics of AIDS
 Stine: Chapter 16
 Socio-psychological Dimensions of AIDS
 "The Wedding Gift" (OR)
 Video: "It's My Party"
 "Psychology of the HIV Caregiver"
 Stine: Chapter 15
 Women and AIDS
 Schneider & Stoller: Lockett, 208
 Videos: "Matter of the Heart"
 "My Body's My Business"
 AIDS & Risk Taking
 Stine: Chapter 8
 Video: "NYSDH Safer Sex"
 AIDS & Sexuality
 Nevid: HIV/STD (OR)
 Stine: Chapter 9
 AIDS & Drugs
 HIV Test Issues
 Stine: Chapter 13 and 14
 NYS HIV Reporting Regs
 The Personal Dimension of AIDS
 *Guest Lecturer: Ms. Ruth Garner
 Grieving and Loss
 Death Awareness Sheets
 AIDS and Humanity

VIDEOS:

- 1) And The Band Played On
- 2) AIDS In Africa
- 3) AIDS (NOVA)
- 4) Living with HIV
- 5) AIDS: Beyond the Hospital
- 6) Psychology of the HIV caregiver
- 7) My Body's My Business
- 8) NYSDH safer sex
- 9) Matter of the Heart
- 10) It's My Party