## DEVT40007 Health and Development

| Credit Points:                       | 12.5  |
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| Level:                               | 4 (Undergraduate)   |
| Dates & Locations:                   | 2016, Parkville<br>This subject commences in the following study period/s:<br>Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus.   |
| Time Commitment:                     | Contact Hours: A 2-hour seminar per week for 12 weeks. Total Time Commitment: Total of 170 hours  |
| Prerequisites:                       | None  |
| Corequisites:                        | None  |
| Recommended<br>Background Knowledge: | Students enrolling in this subject must have completed a Bachelor of Arts degree or equivalent.   |
| Non Allowed Subjects:                | None  |
| Core Participation<br>Requirements:  | For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the disability<br>Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage<br>Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Description,<br>Subject Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements of this entry. The University<br>is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements. Further details on<br>the disability support scheme can be found at the Disability Liaison Unit website: http://<br>www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/  |
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| Subject Overview:                    | This subject examines the relationship between health and political economic development<br>in the world system, particularly in developing countries. It draws upon medical anthropology<br>and health sociology in addressing issues such as the social origins of disease and suffering<br>and health-related problems associated with development and underdevelopment, including<br>AIDS and other infectious diseases, global climate change, and access to health care, both<br>in terms of national health care systems and a medical pluralism. It examines the impact of<br>various international organizations, such as the UN, WHO, World Bank, the WTO, and the<br>pharmaceutical industry as well that of grass-roots groups, such as NGOs, health movements,<br>and traditional healers upon global health conditions. Finally, the subject considers social<br>structural and socio-cultural changes that would be needed to create an equitable and healthy<br>world system.   |
| Learning Outcomes:                   | <ul> <li>Students who successfully complete this subject should:</li> <li># Understand the impact of political-economic development upon health and health care delivery within both developed and developing societies and various social classes, ethnic minorities, genders, and other groupings within these societies;</li> <li># Understand the nature of strategies emanating from both the macro-level, such as the WHO, the World Bank, and governments, and the micro-level, such as NGOs, health movements, and traditional healers to address health problems and provide access to health care;</li> <li># Present reasoned and well-supported arguments concerning particular issues of contemporary significance relating to health within the world system;</li> <li># Critically analyse the relationship between health and development from a range of sources in written assignments, while also developing skills in writing, critical analysis, research, and the use of library and internet for information retrieval.</li> </ul> |
| Assessment:                          | A 2000 word paper (40%) due mid-semester. Two 250-word abstracts of two assigned readings to be discussed in class (10%) due during the semester. A 2500 word research paper (50%) due during the examination period. Hurdle requirement: Students must attend a minimum of   |

|  | 80% of classes in order to pass this subject. All pieces of written work must be submitted to pass this subject. Regular participation in class is required. Note: Assessment submitted late without an approved extension will be penalised at 10% per working day. In-class tasks missed without approval will not be marked.  |
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| Prescribed Texts:                          | There are no prescribed texts but please see recommended text below.   |
| Recommended Texts:                         | MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY AND THE WORLD SYSTEM (Praeger 2 nd edition, 2003) by Hans Baer, Merrill Singer, and Ida Susser.   |
| Breadth Options:                           | This subject is not available as a breadth subject.  |
| Fees Information:                          | Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees   |
| Generic Skills:                            | Students who successfully complete this subject should:<br># be able to engage in independent research for essay preparation using a variety of media;<br># exercise critical judgment in written assignments and group discussion;<br># acquire research skills.  |
| Links to further information:              | http://www.ssps.unimelb.edu.au/study/ads/  |
| Related Majors/Minors/<br>Specialisations: | <ul> <li>150 Point Master of Development Studies</li> <li>150 Point Master of Development Studies (Gender &amp; amp; Development)</li> <li>150 Point Master of Development Studies - Gender and Development Specialisation</li> <li>200 Point Master of Development Studies (Gender &amp; amp; Development)</li> <li>200 Point Master of Development Studies - Gender and Development)</li> <li>200 Point Master of Development Studies - Gender and Development)</li> <li>200 Point Master of Development Studies - Gender and Development)</li> <li>200 Point Master of Development Studies - Gender and Development Specialisation</li> <li>200 points Master of Arts (Professional and Applied Ethics)</li> <li>Graduate Certificate in Arts (Advanced) - Development Studies</li> <li>Graduate Diploma in Arts (Advanced) - Development Studies</li> <li>PC-ARTS Development Studies</li> </ul> |