Special Topics in Health Policy and Management: Current Research Issues
HPM 227B
Winter 2017 Syllabus

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Class: Thursdays, 12:00 – 1:30 PM
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Description

This is a four-credit course aimed at Ph.D. students, who are required to take this course for credit one time during their Ph.D. program. During the session in which they speak, the student will present his or her dissertation research. Faculty and postdocs also attend the sessions. Each student is required to distribute a written copy of their research a week in advance so that the session can be devoted to helpful critique.

Method of Evaluation

- Grades are based on the quality of the research and presentation.
**Academic Honesty**

In the course assignment, it is expected that you will give proper credit to others whose language or ideas you use; failure to do so may result in a lower grade or other consequences. Please use quotation marks for sentences or phrases that you are quoting verbatim, and indicate the source. You do not need to use quotation marks if you paraphrase, but you must still cite the source, regardless of whether it is from a journal article, the Internet, a report, etc. Citations should be provided whenever you assert something as fact, unless it is widely known and accepted. You may use any reference style you choose, but you should use the same style consistently throughout papers and provide all of the important information for your references.

**Accommodations for Disability**

If you wish to request an accommodation due to a suspected or documented disability, please inform me and contact the Office for Students with Disabilities (www.osd.ucla.edu) at A255 Murphy Hall, (310) 825-1501, (310) 206-6083 (telephone device for the deaf).
## Learning Objectives/Competencies

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to:

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<th>H.S. Doctoral Competency</th>
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<td>Understand the application of Ph.D. level research methods</td>
<td>2. Apply or develop theoretical and conceptual models relevant to health services research. 4. Use or develop a conceptual model to specify study constructs for a health services research question and develop variables that reliably and validly measure these constructs. 8. Demonstrate proficiency in the appropriate application of analytical techniques to evaluate HSR questions.</td>
<td>Participation in class discussion and completion of written presentation of dissertation research.</td>
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<td>Be able to effectively critique published research</td>
<td>5. Describe the strengths and weaknesses of study designs to appropriately address specific health services research questions.</td>
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<td>Understand how to present research in a form acceptable by top peer-reviewed journals.</td>
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Winter 2017 Health Services Seminar Series
Thursdays, 12:00 – 1:15, Room 41-268 CHS

January 12
Alina Palimar
“Development and Psychometric Evaluation of a Fatigability Index for Adults with Spinal Cord Injury”

January 19
Lucinda Leung
“Changing Patterns of Mental Health Use: The Role of Integrated Mental Health Services in VA Primary Care”

January 26
Lee Squitieri
"Improving the Quality of Care and Reducing Costs among Medicare Patients with Pressure Ulcers in the United States"

February 2
Pamela Davidson
"Creating a Positive Organizational Climate by Design"

February 9
Dimitra Panteli (Guest Speaker)

February 16
Li-Ying Fu (Visiting Scholar)
“The Effectiveness of Governance and the Construction of an Audit Committee Mechanism in China’s Public Hospitals”

February 23
Julian Brunner
"Clinical Decision Support in VA Primary Care Clinics"

March 2
Stefan Richter
“Prediction Models for Hospital Presentation with Multidrug-Resistant Bacterial Infections”

March 9
Adriane Wynn

March 16
Joe Viana
“Assessing Data Quality of Self-Reported Legal Status in a Population Survey”
April 6
Tara Russell
“Implications of Liver Transplant Allocation Policy of Health Resource Utilization”

April 13
Andrea Sorensen
“Transitional Care of Adults in Skilled Nursing Facilities: Contribution of Clinical Pharmacists in Reducing Inpatient Utilization”

April 20
Natalie Bradford

April 27
Katina Garcia-Appendini
“Effect of Seguro Popular on Health-Related Outcomes among older Mexican Adults with Chronic Disease”