Course syllabus for

Sexual and Reproductive Health in a Global Perspective, 7.5 credits
Sexuell och reproduktiv hälsa i ett globalt perspektiv, 7.5 hp

This course syllabus is valid from spring 2010.

Course code 2EE091
Course name Sexual and Reproductive Health in a Global Perspective
Credits 7.5 credits
Form of Education Higher Education, study regulation 2007
Main field of study Sexual, Reproductive and Perinatal Health
Level AV - Second cycle
Grading scale Fail (U), pass (G) or pass with distinction (VG)
Department Department of Women's and Children's Health
Participating institutions
  • Department of Public Health Sciences

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Specific entry requirements

A degree of at least 180 higher university credits in health care or medicine. Alternatively higher university credits from the medical programme.

Objectives

Knowledge and understanding The objective of the course is that the student will * gain knowledge about reproductive health in an international perspective and be familiar with the Millenium goals developed by the United Nations (UN), focusing on maternal and infant health within a gender perspective * be able to understand the strategies that UN has identified as important to reaching the Millenium goals and declarations that were accepted in combination with the term Safe Motherhood and the demographic conference in Cairo and the Women Conference in Peking. * understand how political and economic decisions and conditions in health care services influence young children as well as adult potential for good health * have knowledge about sexual development during adolescence as well as
legal and illegal abortion from a global perspective * have knowledge about birth control and its consequences for reproductive health * have knowledge about reproductive rights; differences and similarities between low and high income countries; sexually transmitted infections (STI) including HIV and their consequences from an international perspective * understand how mental illness relates to reproduction and sexuality * understand how sexualized violence affects women's lives and life situations Skills and abilities The objective of the course is that the student will * collaborate in a team working with adolescent sexuality and reproductive health * develop guidelines to advise about birth control * develop guidelines for having discussion with women about abortion and follow-up * acknowledge and respond to questions that arise in relation to mental illness and reproduction and sexuality * collaborate in treatment to women who have been the victims of sexualized violence, and work to prevent the spread of sexually transmitted infections Judgement and approach The objective of the course is that the student will * evaluate programs and methods that decrease maternal- and child mortality in a global perspective as well as work to decrease gender inequalities that influence decision-making and deny certain parts of the population access to health care * develop a professional and ethical demeanor regarding questions of sexuality and reproduction and reflect over inequality in regard to health care and medical treatment across the world

Content

The course comprises 4.5 hp theory and 3 hp clinical rotation. Part one (4.5 hp) comprises: * Millennium goals focusing on the goals 3-5 from the Cairo and Peking conferences on Women's Health: 3. To promote gender equality and empower women 4. Reduce child mortality 5. Improve maternal health * The Cairo and Peking conferences and Reproductive rights * "Safe motherhood" * Adolescence, sexuality and reproductive health * Fertility control in a global perspective: birth control methods, legal and illegal induced abortions * Fertility through the life course * Childlessness * Sexualized violence * Mental illness related to reproduction and sexuality * Differences and similarities between low and high income countries * Gender aspects of reproductive health * Sexually transmitted infections (STI) including HIV * Ethical and legal aspects Part two comprises 3 hp clinical rotation in the fields of antenatal care and contraceptive counselling.

Teaching methods

Lectures and problem based seminars comprise the major pedagogy, which will incorporate strong student interaction.

Examination

A final exam will be comprised of an individual paper with a relevant topic based on a literature review and presented in a final seminar for course colleagues and faculty. Compulsory attendance: A minimum of 80% of attendance is required for pass.

Other directives

Students are expected to attend lectures and participate in seminars actively.

Literature and other teaching aids

Handbook of family planning and reproductive healthcare
Glasier, Anna; Gebbie, Ailsa
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2006
Lawson, John; Harrison, Kelsey; Bergström, Staffan
Maternity Care in Developing Countries
London : RCOG Press, 2001 - 422
ISBN:1 900 364 39 5
Library search

Global Health: an introductory textbook
Lindstrand, Ann
Lund : Studentlitteratur, 2006 - 327 s.
ISBN:91-44-02198-4 LIBRIS-ID:9987549
Library search

Reproductive Health Indicators: Guidelines for their generation, interpretation and analysis for global monitoring
Library search

Sveriges internationella politik för sexuell och reproduktiv hälsa och rättigheter
Stockholm : Regeringskansliet, 2006 - 30 s.
Library search

Unsafe abortion: the preventable pandemic
Grimes, David; Benson, Janie; Singh, Susheela; Romero, Mariana; Ganatra, Bela; Okonofua, Friday; Shah, Iqbal
The Lancet, Sexual and Reproductive Health Series, 2006 okt - 13
URL: http://www.thelancet.com/collections/series/srh