

## MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY FOR DENTISTRY

Semmelweis University, Faculty of Dentistry

Name(s) of the Institute(s) teaching the subject: Institute of Behavioural Sciences

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Name of the subject: Medical Sociology for Dentistry

Credits: 1

Total number of hours: 28 lectures: 12 practices: 16

Type of the course (mandatory/elective): Mandatory

Academic year: First year II term

Code of the course I: FOKVMAG235\_1A

### The goals of the course in point of view of the education:

The aim of this course is to help students realise that social factors have a considerable influence on oral/ dental health and dentistry. Social, economic and cultural factors have a great effect on the dentist-patient relationship, the way people make sense of their symptoms and seek dental help, their oral/ dental health related behaviour as well as on the aetiology of oral and dental conditions.

By understanding how different societies are structured and organised and how the categories people belong to (gender, ethnicity, occupation, educational level, financial situation to name but a few) shape all aspects of their lives and opportunities, our hope is that students will better comprehend the social reality influencing the dental health status of people and the practice of dentistry for dentists

### COURSE SCHEDULE

**The course will start with practicals on week 1. There is no lecture on week 1. Lectures are held at 8.00 on Fridays at the NET green lecture hall**

group	day	time	location	teacher	teacher's e-mail
ED 1	Friday	12-00-12-30	KOHSZ-CC-KUPT	Bence Döbrössy	dobrossy.bence@med.semmelweis-univ.hu
ED 2	Friday	10:15-11:45	KOHSZ-CC-KUPT	Dr. Julia Boros	juliboros14@gmail.com
ED 3	Friday	10:00-11:30	NET-SZ.107	Bence Döbrössy	dobrossy.bence@med.semmelweis-univ.hu
ED 4	Tuesday	14:00-15:30	KOHSZ-CC-KUPT	Bence Döbrössy	dobrossy.bence@med.semmelweis-univ.hu
ED 5	Wednesday	8.00-9.30	FOOC-SZEM	Bence Döbrössy	dobrossy.bence@med.semmelweis-univ.hu
ED 6	Friday	8:00- :30	KOHSZ-CC-KUPT	Bence Döbrössy	dobrossy.bence@med.semmelweis-univ.hu
ED 7	Wednesday	12:30- 14:00	GMFEOK-SZEM-1	Dr. Julia Boros	juliboros14@gmail.com

**From weeks 2- 8, there will be lectures only, no practicals.**

- Week 1 febr. 13-17** Introduction to sociology, basic concepts and principles. (Practice)
- Week 2: febr.24** General health and oral health status through history (lecture)
- Week 3: March 3** Social determinants of oral health and oral health related behaviour. (lecture)
- Week 4: March 10** Intercultural dentistry (lecture)
- Week 5 March .17** Patient expectations regarding dentistry: the theory and practice of dental patient satisfaction studies. (lecture)
- Week 6 March .24** Norms, deviance and dentistry (lecture)
- Week 7 March .31** COVID 19 and sociology (lecture)
- Week 8 April .3 7 no school on Friday** Social inequality and health inequality- gender, age, ethnicity (practice)
- Week 9 April .10-14** Healthcare systems (practice)
- Week 10 April 17- 21** 21st century dentistry technological and socio-cultural changes (practice)
- Week 11 April 24- 28** Dental help seeking behaviour, illness behaviour (practice)
- Week 12 May 1-5 no school on Monday** The profession of dentistry (practice)
- Week 13 May 8- 12** Medicalisation in dentistry, cosmetic dentistry (practice)
- Week 14 May 15-19** Summary (practice)

**Special academic work required for completion of the course:**

Tasks assigned to be done in the practicals

**Tasks in practicals:**

40% of the final grade is given for short tasks to be done during the practicals.

During the practicals, the students work on topics in small teams. The topics and teams are specified by the teacher of the practical.

In case of absences, the task can only be made up if the student has a certification.

**Attendance on practices and lectures, replacement in case of missed sessions:**

75% of practicals must be attended for the signature. One practical absence can be made up by undertaking an extra task set by the practical leader or by participating in the practical with another group

**Consequences of absence from sessions and exams:**

No signature is given if 75% of the practicals is not attended. The tasks can be made up if the absence is certified.

**Method of checking acquired knowledge during the study period:**

Tasks are set in practicals to be done in small groups. The tasks are graded and make up 40% of the final grade.

**Requirements of an accepted semester (*signature of the lecturer*):**

75% practical attendance is required for getting a signature. 40% of the final grade is given for the tasks in the practicals.

**Type of the exam:**

Written semi-final in the examination period (60% of the final grade)

The written exam will consist of true or false questions and an essay type case analysis where students are required to understand, explain and apply to the given case concepts and knowledge acquired in the course.

In order to undertake the exam successfully, students must know the material made available to them on the departmental home page as well as the textbook.

The material covered in the exam:

- 21st century dentistry technological and socio-cultural changes
- Dental help seeking behaviour
- Intercultural aspects of dentistry
- Medicalisation in dentistry, cosmetic dentistry
- Patient expectations regarding dentistry
- Social determinants of oral health and oral health related behaviour
- Social inequalities and inequalities in dental health
- Socio-cultural aspects of pain
- Systems of dental health care provision
- The profession of dentistry

**Grading of course:**

40%-grades given for the in class tasks

60% -written semi-final

Grades :

0-50 points – 1

51- 60 points -2

61-74 points -3

75-84 points -4

85 points and over 5

**List of textbooks, lecture notes and recommended textbooks:**

All lecture notes and slides are made available on Moodle (<https://itc.semmelweis.hu/moodle/>)

textbook: Graham Scrambler (ed) Sociology as Applied to Health and Medicine, Palgrave Macmillan 2018