

| CURRICULUM |

Required Courses 21 units		
MA 201	Perspectives in Medical Anthropology	3
MA 210	Medical Ecology	3
MA 233	Political Economy and Social Epidemiology	3
MA 251	A Cultural History of Health Care Systems	3
MA 297	Quantitative Research Methods in Medical Anthropology	3
MA 298	Qualitative Research Methods in Medical Anthropology	3
MA 299	Independent Studies	3
Electives/Cognates Courses 6-9 units		
MA 281	Ethnopharmacology	3
MA 282	Ethnopsychiatry	3
MA 283	Nutritional Anthropology	3

Thesis 6 units

Total 36 units

ELECTIVES/ COGNATES

Courses offered by the College of Social Sciences and Philosophy, UP Diliman

Anthro 235	Seminar on Culture and Population
Anthro 266	Seminar in Folk Tradition
Anthro 282	Seminar on Culture and Personality
Anthro 287	Sex and Culture
Anthro 292	Anthropological Theory
Geo 226	Cultural Geography
Geo 228	Population Geography
Psych 273	Research Methods in Developing Psychology
Psych 282	Theories in Social Psychology
Psych 286	Seminar in Applied Social Psychology
Socio 215	Medical Sociology
Socio 216	Seminar in the Sociology of Aging
Demo 221	Population Growth and Economic Development
Demo 241	Emerging Issues in Population

Courses offered by UP Manila

College of Medicine

Bioethics 221 Socio-political and Policy Contexts of Bioethics
 Bioethics 224 Bioethics and International Health
 Bioethics 222 Culture and Bioethics
 Bioethics 223 Gender and Bioethics
 Clinical Epidemiology 211 Fundamentals of Clinical Epidemiology
 Clinical Epidemiology 213 Critical Appraisal of Medical Literature
 Clinical Epidemiology 299 Seminars in Health Social Science
 Health Informatics 201 Health Informatics

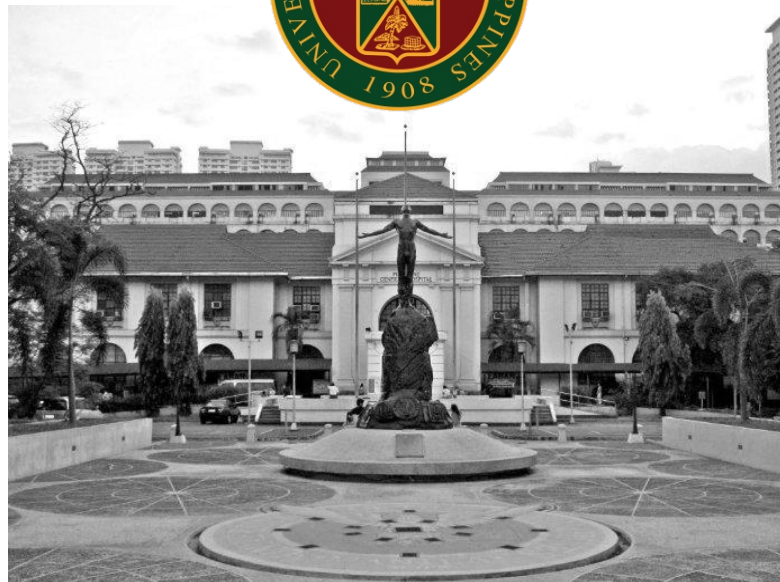
College of Arts and Sciences

HPS 221 Political Dynamics in the Health Policy Process
 HPS 222 Comparative Study of Health Policy Development in Asia Pacific
 HPS 223 Issues in International Health and Policy
 HPS 231 Health Policy and Quality of Life
 HPS 235 Social Epidemiology
 HPS 236 Sociology of Health

College of Public Health

Public Health 207 Health Policy and Epidemiology
 Health Policy Adm 206 International
 Health Health Policy Adm 211 Benefit-Cost Analysis and Valuations in Health
 HPS 252 Advance Health Economics

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MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY

**A PROGRAM OFFERING OF THE
 COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
 UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES
 MANILA**



RATIONALE

A review of the leading causes of morbidity and mortality, both globally and in the Philippines, will show that many of these diseases cannot be overcome if we limit ourselves to biomedical interventions. Whether infectious or non-infectious diseases, the cause of morbidity and mortality involve lifestyles, religious beliefs, politics, economics and a host of other social and cultural variables. Even within biomedicine itself, the emerging field of psychoneuroimmunology shows how immune mechanisms are enhanced or compromised, at all stages of human development, by economic, social and cultural factors.

Medical anthropology offers alternative frameworks and research tools for responding to health issues, not just in terms of curative functions but also for prevention of illness, health promotion and maintenance. It offers cultural ecological perspectives, showing how genetics, demography, the natural environment and culture interact. Sometimes referred to as medical ecological perspective, this level of analysis shows how health diseases are functions of the interaction of human culture and the natural environment.

There is a rapidly growing interest in the possibilities of using new paradigms for understanding health, illnesses and health care. Medical anthropology, a field which has become quite developed in western countries, offers many of these paradigms, developed over the last 50 years by practitioners throughout the world.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

The academic year is divided into 2 semesters of 16 weeks each, excluding registration and final examination periods. The 1st semester starts in August and ends in December, while the 2nd semester covers the period from January to May, with a two-week Christmas vacation in December. The short term session of 6 weeks following the 2nd semester is usually in June and July.

English is generally used as the medium of instruction. A full time student's normal load is 12-15 units per semester and 6 units during summer; a part-time student enrolls in half of these.

The tuition fee is P2,000.00 per unit, library fee is P1,050.00 and other fees is P350.00 per semester. A student with a load of 15 units in a semester matriculates P31,400.00 on the average while a foreign student pays an additional Educational Development Fund of US \$500.00 (US \$100.00 for residency only) for every semester.

There is a processing fee of P300.00 for Filipino applicants while interested foreigners are charged US \$30.00. Application documents will be accepted until the second week of April of each academic year.

The following are the grade requirements for each student to be of good standing in the program: 1) general weighted average of 2.00 or better, 2) weighted average of 2.00 or better for the major/required courses, and 3) no grade of 5.00 in any academic course. A maximum of 5 years is given to a student to finish the program. Living accommodations for students may be obtained from privately-owned housing units/dorms/apartment hotels or dorms offering lodging and/or board. There are privately-owned eateries around the school.

PROGRAM GOALS

The Main objective of the program is to train a corps of medical anthropologists who can contribute to health care by adopting a multi-level understanding of health care as they relate to culture, society, politics, economics and ecology.

The Master of Medical Anthropology program, which is a nonthesis program, is designed to train professionals who want to enhance their medical competence through a more culturally sensitive approach and is targeted for teachers in medical and health professional schools, and people working in health and development programs.

The Master of Science in Medical Anthropology requires additional units of coursework and a thesis. It is designed for those who wish to acquire competence for doing cross-cultural research.



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The following are the minimum NGOHS requirements:

1. Bachelor's degree from a recognized university/ tertiary institution
2. Good scholastic record from university/ institution of higher learning.
3. Duly accomplished Application Form (available at the Graduate Office or through ngohs.upm.edu.ph) together with the following documents:
 - * original copy of the official Transcript of Records
 - * 2 recommendations from former professors, supervisors or employers (forms included in the application packet)
 - * receipt of processing fee paid at the UPM Cashier's Office
 - * certified true copy of college diploma with the seal of the university and the signature of the registrar in ink
 - * 4 passport-size photos
 - * photocopy of certificate of birth and marriage certificate for married female applicants
 - * essay on an 8-1/2" x 11" sheet of paper describing your motivation for pursuing graduate study and your view of self-directed learning as a method of instruction, and a description of your research interest
4. For foreign applicants, additional requirements include:
 - * original Transcript of Records in English. If written in another language, must be translated to English and authenticated by the Philippine consulate/embassy from country of origin
 - * certified true copy of diploma with the seal of the university and the signature of the registrar in ink. If written in another language, must be translated to English and authenticated by the Philippine consulate/embassy from country of origin
 - * Official TOEFL score of at least 550 (written test) or 173 (computerized test); 61 (internet based) or other Certification of English proficiency equivalent to TOEFL (e.g. IELTS (band 6); a certificate that English is the medium of instruction in the university where the student has graduated from is sufficient to waive this requirement
 - * affidavit of support or certification of financial capability
 - * photocopy of passport (present original for verification)

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Residency of at least one full academic year prior to granting of degree
2. GWA of 2.00 or better in major and in all courses taken
3. For Master of Science in Medical Anthropology (MSMA) Plan:
 - a. completion of 30 units of course work (21 units required courses, and 9 units electives/cognates)
 - b. satisfactory completion and submission of 6 bound copies of thesis
4. For Master of Medical Anthropology (MMA) Plan:
 - a. completion of 27 units of course work (21 required courses, and 6 units electives/cognates)
 - b. successfully passing a comprehensive examination