

The University of Manitoba  
Department of Philosophy

Philosophy 3440  
Topics in Social and Political Philosophy: International Justice and Health

**Winter Term 2012**  
**Monday, 2:30-5:25**  
**RM 383, University College**

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This course focuses on a set of important (moral) issues relating to international health equality. We will consider the following types of questions. Why do we have a duty to support a more globally egalitarian distribution of goods? What kind of (international) equality should we fight for? Is the right to health best conceived as a “human right”? Is it best understood as a negative or a positive right? What proposals are most likely to ensure that the right to (adequate) health is actually enjoyed by all?

**ASSIGNMENTS:**

1. Discussion Board Contributions (10%): Every student must post two or three pointed questions or brief comments about the readings on the Discussion Board on the course (Jump) website. Questions must be posted by the midnight before class.

2. Papers (90%):

- a. First paper due February 13 (45%)
- b. Second paper due March 26 (45%)

**GRADING SCALE**

In this course, the following equivalence between letter grades and percentages is used:

A+	90-100
A	80-89
B+	75-79
B	70-74
C+	65-69

C	60-64
D	50-59
F	00-49

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<http://crscalprod1.cc.umanitoba.ca/Catalog/ViewCatalog.aspx?pageid=viewcatalog&catalogid=60&chapterid=133&topicgroupid=3862>

Plagiarism or cheating will result in an F for the assignment, and may carry additional penalties as per university policy.