



Code	Subject Title	Cr. Hrs	Semester
SOC-401	Sociology of Health and Illness	3	VII
Year	Discipline		
4	Sociology		

- 1. Introduction: The social construction of health and illness**
 - a. Key concepts: Health, Disease, Illness, stigma, chronic illness, and physical disability

- 2. Sociological Perspectives on Health**
 - a. The functionalist Perspectives on Health: The Sick Role
 - b. Symbolic Interactionist Theory: the Social Construction of Illness
 - c. Conflict Theory: Inequalities in Health and Health Care

- 3. Social Factors in Health and Illness**
 - a. Age
 - b. Sex
 - c. Social Class
 - d. Race and Ethnicity

- 4. Disability**
 - a. Disability in Historical Perspective
 - b. Disability in Contemporary Society

- 5. Social Development and Health**
 - a. Health Care in Pakistan
 - b. Universal Health care

- 6. Approaches to health care**
 - a. The Medical Model of Illness
 - b. Alternative Approaches
 - c. Doctor-Patient relationship
 - d. Health Insurance

Recommended Books:

- Annandale, Ellen. (1998). The Sociology of Health and Medicine: A Critical Introduction. New York: Polity Press.
- Hancock, Philip. (2001). The Body, Culture and Society: An Introduction. Buckingham: Open University Press.
- Lincoln, Chen et al. (2003) Global Health Challenges for Human Security. UK: Global Equity.