3rd Annual Conference on Health and Society

Harkins Hall/Slavin Center

March 31, 2012

Welcome/Breakfast: 8:30-9:45
Panel A Presentations: 10:00 – 11:15
Panel B Presentations: 11:30 – 12:45
Lunch (Slavin 112) 1:00 – 2:15
Panel C Presentations: 2:30 – 4:00

Program

Panel A1. Health and Illness in the Media
10:00 – 11:15am
Location: Harkins 300

Black and White: Portrayal of the Tuskegee Syphilis Study in Newspapers
Sarah Abdallah, Yale University

Busting a Gut: Portrayals of Obesity in Popular Culture
Carly Babel, Providence College

The Drawn-Out Battle Against Stigma: Mental Health in Modern American Comics and Graphic Novels.
Swee Khee Brenda Seah, Yale University

Faculty Discussant: Janet Hart, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences

Panel A2. Stigmatized Diseases and Stereotypes
10:00 – 11:15am
Location: Harkins 301

HIV/AIDS: Ayurvedic Medicine’s Impact on India’s Social Stigma
Shawn Francis, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Professions

Mirror, Mirror on the Wall, Who’s the Thinnest of Them All?
Ann Marie O’Brien, Providence College

“Home for Street Women”: Venereal Disease and the Unknown Imprisonment of Women in the Early Twentieth Century
Scott Stern, Yale University

Faculty Discussant: Jessica Mulligan, Providence College
11:30am – 12:45pm  
Location: Harkins 300

*Bridging the Gap between Lady Health Workers and Midwives for Reducing Maternal Mortality in Rural Pakistan*  
Anushka Aqil, Brandeis University

*The Use of Mindfulness in the Battle against Stress: From Buddhist Traditions to Western Interventions*  
Eleanor Schmitt, Connecticut College

Faculty Discussant: Tuba Agartan, Providence College

Panel B2. Determinants of Health: Lifestyle and Environment  
11:30am – 12:45pm  
Location: Harkins 301

*Do Neighborhood Characteristics Influence the Existence of Asthma in Children?*  
Elizabeth Adejuyigbe, University of New Hampshire

*Exploring the Identity of Chronic Pain Conditions*  
Gabriela Harris, Sarah Lawrence College

*Discovering Resilience in Children who witnessed their Caregivers with Cancer: A Retrospective Study*  
Cassandra Menz, Providence College

Faculty Discussant: Deborah Levine, Providence College

**LUNCH (Slavin Center 112): 1-2:15pm**

Members of the Providence College Health Care Club will be available to guide presenters and guests to and from our lunch in the Slavin Center.
Panel C1. Ethical Challenges in Health Policy  
2:30 – 4:00pm  
Location: Harkins 300

*Sacrée et Inviolable-The HIV+ Female Adolescent in Ivoirian Thought and Law*  
Amber A. Alaniz-Owens, University of Houston

*Sorry Buddy, but Your Name Isn’t on the List: Fear and the Ethics of Organ Transplantation*  
Ted Callis, Providence College

*Sick With Fear: Popular Challenges to Scientific Authority in the Vaccine Controversies of the 21st Century*  
Ellen Watkins, University of California, Los Angeles

Faculty Discussant: Thomas Gariepy, Stonehill College

Panel C2. The Power of Prevention  
2:30 – 4:00pm  
Location: Harkins 301

*HPV: How Social Ideologies Influence Medical Care and Policy*  
Fadi Hachem, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Professions

*Preventive Medicine Goes Viral*  
Megan Harada, Yale University

*The Pregnancy Project: Impact of Ultrasound Use during Pregnancy*  
Paige Ricci, University of New Hampshire

Faculty Discussant: Robert Hackey, Providence College
Panel C3. The Possibilities and Pitfalls of Pharmaceuticals  
2:30-4:00pm  
Location: Harkins 332

Medicines that Kill  
Lina Abushouk, Sarah Lawrence College

Recession Proof Pills: An Examination of the Relationship between Recession Economics and Pharmaceutical Expenditures  
Kevin Gray, Providence College

Facing an Epidemic: An Analysis of HIV/AIDS, Antiretroviral Drugs, and International Response to the AIDS Pandemic  
Michael Tate, Providence College

Faculty Discussant: Todd Olszewski, Providence College