OMBA 6962 - Health Care Reform

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Course Description

6962. Health Care Reform. The purpose of the course is to give students the skills necessary to understand all aspects of health and health care especially those related to Health Care Reform and recent and previous legislation. It will examine the supply of and demand for health services, and the analysis of health care systems and current, previous and potential future legislation relevant to health care reforms. Prereq.: graduate standing, admission to the OMBA Program or MHHS Program or ELHH-DD Program or permission from the OMBA Program. Cross-Listed HHS 6962. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Required	Textbook: Feldstein, P. J., & Melnick, G. (2023). Health Policy Issues: An Economic Perspective (8th ed.). Health Administration Press.		

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Tentative Schedule

Week of	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
10/19	Ch 1-2	Background	Discussion Board 1 and 2 Due 10/21
10/26	Ch 3-4 Panahi et al.	History of Healthcare	Discussion Board 2 and 3 Due 10/28
11/2	Ch 5-6	Healthcare	Discussion Board Ch 5/6 Due 11/4

11/9	Chap 7-8; Levy Et al	Healthcare Delivery	Discussion Board Ch 7-8; and Ageism Due 11/10
11/16	Ch 9	Nursing	Discussion Board Ch 9 Due 10/18
11/23	Ch 24-27 Ethics Readings	Ethics	Comparative Health Care Delivery Projects and DB Ch 24-27 Due 11/22
11/30	Fraud CMS Websites	Fraud, Waste, Abuse and policies	DB Due 12/2 and Exam 2 Due 12/2

The course schedule, policies, procedures, and assignments in this course are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, by mutual agreement, and/or to ensure better learning.