### **Global Learning Semesters**

**Course Syllabus** 

Course: PSY-270 Health Psychology

Department: Social Sciences

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
PSY-270	Health Psychology	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Spring	42	PSY-110, PSY-111
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Social Sciences	Lower Division	English

#### **Course Description**

The purpose of the course is to familiarize students with the field of health psychology and the role of the psychologist within a multidisciplinary team. Students will discuss numerous health problems and the role behavioral and psychological interventions have in dealing with such problems. Prevention and intervention strategies will be discussed.

#### Instructor

Maria Karekla, PhD

### **Course Aims and Objectives**

The primary goal of the course is to provide students with a solid foundation of knowledge regarding what health psychology is, where the field is going, and the role a psychologist can play in fostering better physical health for individuals.

#### **Teaching Methods**

Lectures, discussions, lab works, assigned readings, demonstrations, projects, video films, role plays.

#### **Course Teaching Hours**

42 hours. The course is delivered during the Spring semester in 14-weeks (3 hours/week).

#### **Evaluation and Grading**

Midterm and other exams: 50% Final Exam: 25% Project: 25%

# **Readings and Resources**

## **Required Textbook**

DiMatteo, M. R., & Martin, L.R. (2002). Health psychology. Boston, MA: Allyn & Bacon.