

Medical Anthropology

Spring 2014

Advanced Level
Department of Social Anthropology
Stockholm University
Lecturer: Johan Lindquist

I. Introduction, 10-12 p.m., Monday, January 20, room B600

Readings:

Evans-Pritchard, E.E. (2010, originally 1937) "The Notion of Witchcraft Explains Unfortunate Events," in eds. Byron Good et al., *A Reader in Medical Anthropology: Theoretical Trajectories, Emergent Realities*. Blackwell. 9 pages.

Kleinman, Arthur (1973) "Medicine's Symbolic Reality," *Inquiry: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Philosophy* 16(1-4): 206-13.

Good, Byron (2010, originally 1994) "Medical Anthropology and the Problem of Belief," in Byron Good et al., *A Reader in Medical Anthropology: Theoretical Trajectories, Emergent Realities*. Blackwell. 13 pages.

Rabinow, Paul (2008) "Artificiality and Enlightenment: From Sociobiology to Biosociality," in ed. Jonathan Xavier Inda, *Anthropologies of Modernity: Foucault, Governmentality, and Life Politics*. Wiley Online Library. 14 p.

Dumit, Joseph (2006) "Illnesses You Have to Fight to Get: Facts as Forces in Uncertain, Emergent Illnesses," *Social Science & Medicine* 62(3): 577-90.

Recommended:

Kleinman, Arthur (1978) "Concepts and a Model for the Comparison of Medical Systems and Cultural Systems," *Social Science & Medicine* 12B: 85-93.

Ong, Aihwa (1988) "The Production of Possession: Spirits and the Multinational Corporation in Malaysia," *American Ethnologist* 15(1): 28–42.

II. Seminar, 10-12 a.m., Thursday, January 23, room B600

III. Ethnographies of the Clinic: The View from the Global North, 1-3 p.m., Thursday, January 23, room B600

Readings:

Agic, Haris (2012) *Hope Rites: An Ethnographic Study of Mechanical Help-Heart Implantation Treatment*. Ph.D. dissertation. Linköping University. 433 p. (pp. 54-120, 162-322, 365-410) (Available online: <http://www.diva-portal.org/smash/get/diva2:512788/FULLTEXT01.pdf>)

Kleinman, Arthur (1978) Clinical Relevance of Anthropological and Cross-cultural Research: Concepts and Strategies, *The American Journal of Psychiatry* 135(4): 427-31.

Taussig, Michael (1980) "Reification and the Consciousness of the Patient," *Social Science & Medicine* 14B: 3-13.

Recommended:

Anspach, Renee (1997) *Deciding Who Lives: Fateful Choices in the Intensive-Care Nursery*. University of California Press.

Kleinman Arthur, Peter Benson (2006) "Anthropology in the Clinic: The Problem of Cultural Competency and How to Fix It." *PLoS Med* 3(10): e294. doi:10.1371/journal.pmed.0030294.

IV. Seminar, 14-16 p.m., Wednesday, January 29, room B600. Guest: Haris Agic.

V. Epidemics of Signification: Meaning and Power in the Study of HIV, 1-3 p.m., Thursday, January 30, room B600.

Treichler, Paula (1987) "AIDS, Homophobia and Biomedical Discourse: An Epidemic of Signification," *Cultural Studies*, 1(3): 263-305.

Farmer, Paul (2004) "An Anthropology of Structural Violence," *Current Anthropology* 45(3): 305-325.

Vinh-Kim Nguyen (2005) "Antiretroviral Globalism, Biopolitics, and Therapeutic Citizenship," in ed. Aihwa Ong and Stephen Collier, *Global Assemblages: Technology, Politics, and Ethics as Anthropological Problems*, pp. 124-144. (Available on Wiley Online Library via Stockholm University Library)

Biehl, Joao, with Denise Coutinho and Ana Luzia (2001) "Technology and Affect: HIV/AIDS Testing in Brazil," *Culture, Medicine and Psychiatry* 25: 87-129.

Reynolds, Ellie (2007) "'Pass the Cream, Hold the Butter': Meanings of HIV Positive Semen for Bugchasers and Giftgivers," *Anthropology & Medicine* 14(3): 259-266.

Recommended:

Butt, Leslie (2002) "The Suffering Stranger: Medical Anthropology and International Morality," *Medical Anthropology* 21(1): 1-24.

Lakoff, Andrew (2010) "Two Regimes of Global Health," *Humanity* 1(1): 59-79.

VI. Seminar, 10-12 a.m., Wednesday, February 5, room B600.

VII. The Anthropology of Obesity, 13-15 p.m., Wednesday, February 5, room B600. Guest speaker: Mia Forrest, Doctoral Student, Department of Social Anthropology.

Lock, Margaret and Nancy Scheper-Hughes (1987) "The Mindful Body: A Prolegomenon to Future Work in Medical Anthropology," *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* 1(1): 6-41.

Ambjörnsson, Fanny (2005) "Talk," in ed. Don Kulick and Anne Meneley, *Fat: The Anthropology of an Obsession*, New York: Jeremy P. Tarcher/Penguin, pp. 109-121.

Berg, Marc and Madeline Akrich (2004) "Introduction—Bodies on Trial: Performance and Politics in Medicine and Biology" *Body& Society* 10(2/3): 1-12.

Edmonds, Alexander (2013) "Can Medicine be Aesthetic? Disentangling Beauty and Health in Elective Surgeries," *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* 27(2): 233-252.

VIII. Seminar, 10-12., Monday, February 10, B600.

IX. Ethnographies of the Clinic: The View from the Global South, 13-15, Monday, February 10, room 600.

Livingston, Julie (2012) *Improvising Medicine: An African Oncology Ward in an Emerging Cancer Epidemic*. Duke University Press. 248 p.

Recommended:

Wendland, Claire (2012) "Moral Maps and Medical Imaginaries: Clinical Tourism at Malawi's College of Medicine," *American Anthropologist* 114(1): 108-22.

X. Seminar, 10-12 p.m., Thursday, February 13, B600.

February 19, 4 p.m., Final Exam due.