

Syllabus (Subject to Change)
Anthropology 177/Human Biology 114/Earth Systems 114
Environmental Change and Emerging Infectious Disease
WMF 11:30-1:20 (Lecture MW, Sections F)
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Course Description:

This is a lecture course on the changing epidemiological environment, with particular attention to the ways in which anthropogenic environmental changes are altering the ecology of infectious disease transmission, thereby promoting their re-emergence as a public health threat. Organized by case studies of environmental change at (roughly) local to global scales, we focus on the role that environmental changes (such as deforestation and land-use conversion, urbanization, human migration, international commerce, and climate change) play in contemporary disease transmission. The diseases affected by these environmental changes include SARS, Avian Flu, Malaria, Dengue Fever, Zika, Chagas disease, Lyme, Influenza, Cholera, Hantavirus, BSE/vCJD, and West Nile Virus. We'll use Monday and Wednesday class meetings for lectures; Fridays are reserved for sections, a required component of the class (section locations will be announced later).

Expectations:

Attendance at lecture and discussion sections is mandatory. There is an in-class midterm for both the 4- and 5-credit options. For the 4-unit option, there is also an in-class final. For the 5-unit option, there is a 15-page research paper and no final. The research paper may be on any course-related topic that is *approved by the instructors*. Paper proposals will be due during week 5 of the course (details TBA). Collaborative papers are welcome, subject to the requirement of roughly 15 pages per author. Please consult the paper guide available on Canvas.

Students registered for the graduate section of this class (Anthro 277, Earth Systems 214) must write a research paper, which is expected to be a more involved research paper than for the undergraduate class. While 277 enrollees are allowed to register for four credits to accommodate credit limits, you cannot receive graduate credit for this course without writing a full 15-page research paper. There will be a special graduate section for anyone enrolled in 277/214 in which more technical material relating to lectures/readings will be developed. The graduate section will, among other things, provides tools for developing more in-depth papers.

Prerequisites:

One of the following: HUMBIO 2A & 2B, the Bio Core, the Earth Systems Core, or permission of the instructors.

Sections:

Discussion sections will meet for one hour weekly starting the second week of the course. Locations TBA. *Sections are a required part of the class.*

Grading:

Grades for 5-unit enrollment will be based the midterm (40%), section (10%), and the 15-page paper (50%). Grades for 4-unit enrollment will be based on the midterm (40%), section (10%), and final (50%).

Readings:

Quammen, D. 2012. *Spillover: Animal Infections and the Next Human Pandemic*. New York: Random House.

In addition to this semi-popular book, we will use readings from the primary scientific literature throughout the quarter. Class reading assignments average between two and three journal articles per week. The reading load is thus quite light and the material in these readings is fair game for testing, so the prudent student will read all the assigned materials. All articles will be available on Canvas.

Course Outline (Provisional)

Lectures are on Monday and Wednesday from 11:30 – 1:20 in Dink G10. The one exception is a lecture on Friday 02.23 following Presidents' Day: please make a note of this date

Topics, Order, and Readings All Subject to Change

Week 1. Introduction: EIDs and You

- 01.08 Ebola: The Future is Now (Jones)
Readings: Jones et al. (2008); Leendertz et al. (2016)
- 01.10 Epidemiology Meets Ecology: Some Tools (Jones)
Readings: Wilson (2001); Woolhouse et al. (2005); Arthur et al. (2017)

Week 2. Local Deforestation and Disease: Frontier Malaria in Rondônia

- 01.15 No class (celebrate Martin Luther King Jr.)
- 01.17 Colonization in Rondônia: How not to Change R_0 (Durham)
Readings: Charnley & Durham (2010); Paaijmans et al. (2009)

Week 3. Migration, Urbanization and Climate, Oh My

- 01.22 Vectors of Change and Vectorial Capacity (Durham)
Readings: Singer & Castro (2001); Souza-Santos et al. (2008)
- 01.24 Paper or Plastic? Climate Change, Human Migration, and Urban Refuse as Drivers of Epidemic Dengue Fever (Jones)
Readings: Stoddard et al. (2009); Scott & Morrison (2010); Smith et al. (2014)

Week 4. Bound by the Food Chain: Prions

- 01.29 Careful What You Eat: The Tragic Case of Kuru (Durham)
Readings: Collinge (2006); Alpers (2008), Durham (2008); Gajdusek (2008)
- 01.31 How Now Mad Cow: Environmental Influences on the TSE's (Durham)
Readings: Belay & Schonberger (2005); Mead et al. (2009)

Week 5. Devastatingly Slow Infections

- 02.05 The Origins of HIV: Primate Lentiviruses and Bushmeat Hunting (Jones)
Readings: Gao et al. (1999); Hahn et al. (2000); Keele et al. (2009)
- 02:07 Origins of HIV: Migration, Globalization, and How Local Infections Go Global (Jones)
Readings: Rudicell et al. (2010); Sousa et al. (2010)

Week 6. El Niño, Cascades, and Vortices: Hantavirus and Plague

- 02.12 Death in the Southwest: Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome (Jones)
Readings: Engelthaler et al. (1999); Yates et al. (2002)
- 02.14 Is Plague Caused by “Trophic Cascades”? and How Can Ecology Help? (Jones)
Readings: Duplantier et al. (2005); Osfeldt & Holt (2004); Collinge et al. (2005)

Week 7. Global Environmental Change: Climate and Cholera (with 1 Friday Lecture)

- 02.19 No class (Honoring some of our Presidents)
- 02.21 Environment and Endemism in South Asia: The Case of Cholera (Durham)
Readings: Faruque et al. (2005); Reiner et al. (2012)
- 02.23 **(NOTE: Friday lecture)** Coping with Copepods: Peruvian Cholera Epidemic (Durham)
Readings: Rodo et al (2002); Gil et al. (2004); Martinez-Urtaza et al. (2008)

Week 8. The Challenge of Chagas: Who’s the Guinea Pig?

- 02.26 *In-class Midterm (4 and 5 unit students). Covers material through 02.23*
- 02.28 American Trypanosomiasis: Disease of Poverty (Durham)
Readings: Moncayo & Silveira (2009), Franco-Paredes et al. (2007); Cohen & Gürtler (2001); Rassi et al. (2010)

Week 9. Disruption of Community Processes and Disease Emergence

- 03.05 *Changes in the Land: Deflected Succession and the Emergence of Lyme Disease in Eastern Woodlands* (Jones)
Readings: LoGiudice et al. (2003); Keesing et al. (2006)
- 03.07 The Dilution Effect (Jones)
Readings: Ogden & Tsao (2009); Wood & Lafferty (2013); Salkeld et al. (2013)

Week 10. Wrap-Up: Humanity’s Changing Epidemiological Environments

- 03.12 The Future is Now, II: Zika and Friends, ZIKV, DENV, CHIKV (Durham)
Readings:
- 03.14 Wrap-Up

PAPER & FINAL

- 03.23 *Final Exam (for 4 units): 8:30 to 11:30 am*

Papers Due (for 5 units): 11:30 am, paper copy due in classroom; email copy to all Course staff

Readings (scroll over the citation for a link to the online source)

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