

Course Outline for: HLTH 2010 Healthcare in the US**A. Course Description:**

1. Number of credits: 3
2. Lecture hours per week: 3
3. Prerequisites: None
4. Corequisites: None
5. MnTC Goals: None

Understanding health care delivery systems is essential to improving population health, access to care, and system sustainability. Students analyze the factors that shape health care delivery in the United States and abroad, including historical development, organizational and financial structures, and public health policy, with attention to how funding models influence cost, access, and efficiency. Through comparative analysis and policy-focused inquiry, students explore how the interaction of health policy and society informs the design of health care systems that support innovation, equity, and effective care delivery.

B. Date last reviewed/updated: October 2026**C. Outline of Major Content Area:**

1. Overview of the Health Care Delivery System
2. Health Care Policy
3. Managed Care and Other Systems
4. Global Health Systems
5. Financing, Cost, Access of Health Care
6. Public health and the Role of Government in Health Care
7. Research: How Health Care Advances
8. The Future of Health Care

D. Course Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Describe how the US Health Care system provides care for patients.
2. Compare the US Health Care system to other countries' healthcare systems.
3. Evaluate the impacts on health care regarding gaps in delivery, cost, public perception and access to health services.
4. Evaluate the collaborative efforts between health organizations that have mutual interests.
5. Articulate how public health intersects with the healthcare Health Care systems.

E. Methods for Assessing Student Learning:

Methods for assessment may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Quizzes and exams
2. Participation in class activities
3. Assignments

F. Special Information:

None