CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Emerging Diversities in Health Humanities Teaching

June 8-11, 2016
Hiram, Ohio
Organizers: Erin G. Lamb, PhD and Sarah Berry, PhD

This Summer Seminar, sponsored by the Center for Literature and Medicine at Hiram College, will bring together Health Humanities educators for three days of interactive sample classes, lightning talks, poster sessions, and small-group discussions. Participants will leave with innovative new skills and materials to adapt for their own teaching. Health Humanities teaching is inherently diverse—in its disciplinary approaches, materials, subjects, theories, and settings—and this seminar seeks to make that diversity accessible to its participants, modeling the commitment of the Health Humanities to enacting inclusion, access, and plurality in health and healthcare. Set amid Hiram’s peaceful summer campus in northeast Ohio, this seminar will bring Health Humanities educators into an intimate setting of exchange and participatory learning with colleagues.

Following an opening evening reception on June 8, each of the three full seminar days will feature a mix of pedagogy-focused lightning talks and poster sessions along with several 90-minute class sessions. Within each of these longer class sessions, the sample class will run 45-60 minutes and engage participants in active learning activities. Immediately following the sample class, participants will have the opportunity to discuss in small groups and with the session leader their ideas for adopting and adapting the sample session’s methods and materials for their own classrooms/communities.

We invite proposals:

- From all teaching settings, including virtual, community, clinical, undergraduate, all professional schools and more
- That engage written texts, graphic texts, images, art, media, film, technologies, performances, objects, or spaces
- That focus on diverse topics, including but not limited to how experiences of health, illness, embodiment and dying are affected by the diversities of socioeconomic status, race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, age, religion, ability, body size, neurodiversity, and other categories of difference
- From any theoretical, creative, performative, service-learning, clinical, reflective practice, or experiential approach
- From any (or multiple) activist, professional, or disciplinary perspective, including those rooted in the humanities, social sciences, spiritual care, and/or the arts
- Additionally, collaboration, team-teaching, community engagement/partnership, and interprofessional teaching sessions are welcome
Proposals should be for one of the following presentation formats:

**Lightning Talk**
- 5 minutes maximum, likely focused on one particular text or concept
- Submit a title and 250 word abstract by November 1

**Posters**
- 42” by 48” working area
- Submit a title and 250 word abstract by November 1

**Sample Class Sessions**
- 45-60 minute interactive class session, followed by small group discussion
- **Individuals selected to lead sample class sessions will receive free registration for the seminar**
- Submit proposals by November 1. The proposal form includes:
  - The title of the proposed teaching session
  - A session description, inducing details of session structure/activities/content, and a description of how learners will participate (500 words maximum)
  - Specific learning goals for the session
  - Any required reading/viewing (texts/materials) or other preparation that participants will need to complete prior to the class session

All submissions may be made online at [https://hiram.wufoo.com/forms/emerging-diversities/](https://hiram.wufoo.com/forms/emerging-diversities/) or [http://tinyurl.com/emergingdiversities](http://tinyurl.com/emergingdiversities) by November 1, 2015.

Notifications of acceptance will be sent in December. Registration details to follow in early 2016. Attendees may expect approximate conference costs of $500 inclusive of 4 nights lodging, 3 breakfasts, 3 lunches, and the opening and final evening celebrations with wine and beer, or $300 without lodging.

If you require accommodations, need information about the venue or lodging for this seminar, or would like this CFP in an alternate format, please contact Erin Lamb at lambeg@hiram.edu or 330-569-6139 or Sarah Berry at berrysl@hiram.edu or 330-569-6113.