

MAS SYMPOSIUM

University Hospital of Basel / 25 – 26th October 2012



“Shattering Culture” – Diversity in Health Care

Comparative Perspectives across
Swiss and American Medicine

Welcome

In Swiss health care, concepts such as “cultural competence” or “(hyper)diversity” are upcoming issues. While so far mainly medical anthropologists addressed these issues, an increasing number of health professionals and institutions become involved in these concepts. This process is promoted by a growing diversity of both patients and health care providers, significant health disparities between the “immigrant” and “indigenous” populations and the corresponding national strategy “Migration and Health” by the Swiss Federal Office of Public Health.

Therefore, the presentations by the authors of the book “Shattering Culture – American Medicine Responds to Cultural Diversity” form a highly welcome input to stimulate reflections on the Swiss stance and to design future steps towards a “cultural (hyper)diversity” in health care. By applying the title “Shattering Culture” the authors refer to the uncertainty of being able “to capture current social and individual identities” in environments of “cultural (hyper)diversity” by indicators of “cultural difference” like national origin.

The symposium and the seminar address health care professionals, (medical) anthropologists and professionals of other (health-related) disciplines. While the symposium particularly provides insights into varying perspectives of “cultural (hyper)diversity” in medicine and in the ways health professionals deal with this issue, the seminar invites participants to look into different, more theoretical approaches and current discourses and to benefit from the long-standing experience of the presenters and Swiss experts in the field.

Speakers

Mary-Jo DelVecchio Good* is Professor of Social Medicine at Harvard Medical School and in the Department of Sociology at Harvard University, and a faculty affiliate of the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs.

Antonio Bullon is Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Global Health and Social Medicine at Harvard Medical School, Boston, and Director of the Geriatric Unit at the Providence Hospital in Holyoke, Massachusetts.

Sarah S. Willen* is Assistant Professor of Anthropology at the University of Connecticut.

Seth Donal Hannah* is Lecturer on Sociology at Harvard University.

* Mary-Jo DelVecchio Good, Sarah S. Willen, Seth Donal Hannah et al. (eds.) 2011: Shattering Culture. American Medicine Responds to Cultural Diversity. New York: Russell Sage Foundation.

Organisation

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Language

Symposium and Seminar: **English**

Symposium

Thursday, 25.10.2012

From 13.00 Registration

14.00 – 14.30 Opening

University Hospital of Basel
MAS Medical Anthropology Switzerland
Sylvie Schuster, Andrea Abraham
Moderation: *Wolf Langewitz*

14.30 – 15.15 **Shattering Culture: American Medicine Responds to Cultural Diversity**

Mary-Jo DelVecchio Good, Harvard University and Harvard Medical School

15.15 – 16.00 **Parallel Lives: Technological Fixes and Documentation Practices in the Care of Underserved Populations**

Antonio Bullon, Harvard Medical School

16.00 – 16.30 Coffee Break

16.30 – 17.15 **Cultivating Cultural Competence among Clinicians: Challenges, Obstacles, and Lessons**

Sarah S. Willen, University of Connecticut

17.15 – 18.00 **Hyperdiversity and the Micro-Sociology of Difference**

Seth Donal Hannah, Harvard University

Venue Symposium

Universitätsspital Basel

Zentrum für Lehre und Forschung ZLF, grosser Hörsaal
Hebelstrasse 20, 4031 Basel

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Seminar

Friday, 26.10.2012

10.00 – 10.10 Opening and Moderation

Piet van Eeuwijk and Corina Salis Gross

10.10 – 11.00 Presentation and Discussion

It's not about Race and Ethnicity; It's about "Home." Psychiatric Patients' Perspectives on Recognition in Good Doctoring

Mary-Jo DelVecchio Good

11.10 – 12.00 Presentation and Discussion

Royal Roads and Roadblocks to Empathy and Connection in the Interethnic Clinical Dyad

Antonio Bullon

12.00 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 14.50 Presentation and Discussion

When Somali is not Somali and Bantu is not Bantu: Hyperdiversity and the Use of Culture in Refugee Medicine

Seth Donal Hannah

15.00 – 16.00 Closing Discussion

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Venue Seminar

Englisches Seminar an der Universität Basel

Grosser Hörsaal, Nadelberg 6, 4051 Basel

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Symposium Fees

Fees upon pre-registration, payment on site:

CHF 60.– Regular fee

(without pre-registration CHF 70.–)

CHF 40.– SEG members and USB employees

(without pre-registration CHF 50.–)

CHF 20.– Students

(without pre-registration CHF 30.–)

The seminar is for free. Number of seminar participants is limited (max. 25).

Pre-Registration

E-mail registration and information at: diversity@uhbs.ch

Closing date: Friday, 12th October 2012

Credit Points

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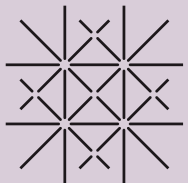
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