## Patient Experiences: Illness, Disability, and Well-being Class Evaluation Summary December 2016

A total of 6 students completed a course evaluation.

Category I: Questions about the Instructor

Rating scale: 1 = Strongly Disagree; 2 = Disagree; 3 = Unsure; 4 = Agree; 5 = Strongly Agree

1. The instructor effectively presented the course content.

Average rating: 4.83					
Strongly Agree Unsure Disagree Disagree Disagree					
83.3%	16.7%	-	-	-	

2. The instructor helped me to better understand the course material.

	Average rating: 4.67					
Strongly Agree						
66.7%	33.3%	-	-	-		

3. The instructor was helpful when I had difficulties.

Average rating: 4.67							
Strongly Agree							
83.3%	-	16.7%	ı	ı			

4. The instructor was respectful towards me as well as other students.

Average rating: 4.83						
Strongly Agree						
83.3%	16.7%	-	-	ı		

5. The instructor clearly communicated the requirements for the course.

Average rating: 4.67					
Strongly Agree Unsure Disagree Strong Disagree					
66.7%	33.3%	-	-	-	

## Overall Teaching Effectiveness

Rating scale: 1 = Very Unsuccessful; 2 = Unsuccessful; 3 = Unsure; 4 = Successful; 5 = Very Successful 6. How successful was the instructor in creating an environment that was useful for learning?

Average rating: 5.00					
Very Successful Unsure Unsuccessful Unsuccessful Unsuccessful					
100%	-	-	-	-	

Rating Scale: 1 = Very Ineffective; 2 = Ineffective; 3 = Unsure; 4 = Effective; 5 = Very Ineffective 7. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this instructor?

Average rating: 4.67						
Very Effective						
66.7%	33.3%	-	-	-		

## Category II: Open-Ended

- 8. What do you consider to be the most valuable take-away(s) from this class?
  - The most valuable part of this course was reading about patient perspectives both through the lens of the patient's experiences and the philosophical ramifications
  - I learned more about the patient experience and it helped me understand what those with disabilities go through on a daily basis. As a medical student and a part time caregiver to a family member, I thought I had a good grasp on it, but reading these first-hand accounts really expanded my understanding
  - I thoroughly enjoyed being exposed to new areas of medicine, etc.
  - Group discussions were great! Material was just right
  - I am grateful to have had an avenue to discuss a topic that is otherwise taboo to discuss in society today, and to have gained a better understanding of how to approach this topic in the future, especially in the field of healthcare
  - Discussing disabilities and the attitudes/biases surrounding that in medicine. Also, seeing what we as healthcare providers can do to decrease the stigma and better relate to patients

- 9. Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of this course.
  - I strongly believe this course produces more competent and empathetic physicians. I
    feel that this course should be a requirement for medical school graduates
  - Small group facilitated a very good course discussion. Dr. Wieseler was able to help direct the discussion and explain some of the more difficult philosophy readings and make sure we didn't skip over key points
  - Learning through discussion and the material was excellent
  - Material chosen, background info when needed, the format was perfect
  - I appreciated that the readings were provoking and engaging
  - Wide range of topics, discussion based
- 10. Please identify areas where the course could be improved.
  - Many philosophical concepts discussed are difficult to grasp if the learner has no background in the subject. Perhaps a discussion of definitions is merited
  - Remove the extra reflection assignment as we already have one at the end off the month. Maybe add 30 min extra time on the last day for time to specifically reflect on what we have learned
  - More background on the theorists, etc.
  - None / longer course when time
  - Nothing really comes to mind
  - A background of philosophy might help
- 11. Feedback for other students: What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?
  - Read early and re-read the content
  - Really dig deep into the readings. Pay attention to things you don't understand
  - Great course
  - Take it! Be engaged
  - I would advise other students interested in taking this course to be open minded and engaged in the readings so as to make beneficial and worthwhile contributions to discussion
  - Take the course! Great topic to reflect on and learn more about. Dr. Wieseler did a fantastic job directing the course and fostering an open environment