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# The Politics of Mental Health

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## Overview:

This seminar approaches the inner world of mind and brain communicatively. By understanding mental health as political, we will consider how it is constituted in an assemblage of professional vision, first person narratives, economic forces, institutional arrangements, and cultural tropes throughout history. We will read work in ethnography, anthropology, psychoanalysis and cultural critique and engage in a variety of empirical, theoretical and narrative writing that furthers your academic career.

Because we are ourselves participants in the discourses of mind and brain, this class will offer a space for interrogation, and perhaps, reconstruction.

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