

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference on Health and Society

Harkins Hall/Slavin Center

March 31, 2012

Welcome/Breakfast:	8:30-9:45
Panel A Presentations:	10:00 – 11:15
Panel B Presentations:	11:30 – 12:45
Lunch (Slavin 112)	1:00 – 2:15
Panel C Presentations:	2:30 – 4:00

## Program

### **Panel A1. Health and Illness in the Media**

**10:00 – 11:15am**

**Location: Harkins 300**

*Black and White: Portrayal of the Tuskegee Syphilis Study in Newspapers*  
Sarah Abdallah, Yale University

*Busting a Gut: Portrayals of Obesity in Popular Culture*  
Carly Babel, Providence College

*The Drawn-Out Battle Against Stigma: Mental Health in Modern American Comics and Graphic Novels.*  
Swee Khee Brenda Seah, Yale University

Faculty Discussant: Janet Hart, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences

### **Panel A2. Stigmatized Diseases and Stereotypes**

**10:00 – 11:15am**

**Location: Harkins 301**

*HIV/AIDS: Ayurvedic Medicine's Impact on India's Social Stigma*  
Shawn Francis, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Professions

*Mirror, Mirror on the Wall, Who's the Thinnest of Them All?*  
Ann Marie O'Brien, Providence College

*"Home for Street Women": Venereal Disease and the Unknown Imprisonment of Women in the Early Twentieth Century*  
Scott Stern, Yale University

Faculty Discussant: Jessica Mulligan, Providence College

**Panel B1. Complementary and Alternative Medicine and Professionalization**

**11:30am – 12:45pm**

**Location: Harkins 300**

*Bridging the Gap between Lady Health Workers and Midwives for Reducing Maternal Mortality in Rural Pakistan*

Anushka Aqil, Brandeis University

*The Use of Mindfulness in the Battle against Stress: From Buddhist Traditions to Western Interventions*

Eleanor Schmitt, Connecticut College

Faculty Discussant: Tuba Agartan, Providence College

**Panel B2. Determinants of Health: Lifestyle and Environment**

**11:30am – 12:45pm**

**Location: Harkins 301**

*Do Neighborhood Characteristics Influence the Existence of Asthma in Children?*

Elizabeth Adejuyigbe, University of New Hampshire

*Exploring the Identity of Chronic Pain Conditions*

Gabriela Harris, Sarah Lawrence College

*Discovering Resilience in Children who witnessed their Caregivers with Cancer: A Retrospective Study*

Cassandra Menz, Providence College

Faculty Discussant: Deborah Levine, Providence College

**LUNCH (Slavin Center 112): 1-2:15pm**

Members of the Providence College Health Care Club will be available to guide presenters and guests to and from our lunch in the Slavin Center.

**Panel C1. Ethical Challenges in Health Policy**

**2:30 – 4:00pm**

**Location: Harkins 300**

*Sacrée et Inviolable-The HIV+ Female Adolescent in Ivoirian Thought and Law*

Amber A. Alaniz-Owens, University of Houston

*Sorry Buddy, but Your Name Isn't on the List: Fear and the Ethics of Organ Transplantation*

Ted Callis, Providence College

*Sick With Fear: Popular Challenges to Scientific Authority in the Vaccine Controversies of the 21st Century*

Ellen Watkins, University of California, Los Angeles

Faculty Discussant: Thomas Gariepy, Stonehill College

**Panel C2. The Power of Prevention**

**2:30 – 4:00pm**

**Location: Harkins 301**

*HPV: How Social Ideologies Influence Medical Care and Policy*

Fadi Hachem, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Professions

*Preventive Medicine Goes Viral*

Megan Harada, Yale University

*The Pregnancy Project: Impact of Ultrasound Use during Pregnancy*

Paige Ricci, University of New Hampshire

Faculty Discussant: Robert Hackey, Providence College

**Panel C3. The Possibilities and Pitfalls of Pharmaceuticals**

**2:30-4:00pm**

**Location: Harkins 332**

*Medicines that Kill*

Lina Abushouk, Sarah Lawrence College

*Recession Proof Pills: An Examination of the Relationship between Recession Economics and Pharmaceutical Expenditures*

Kevin Gray, Providence College

*Facing an Epidemic: An Analysis of HIV/AIDS, Antiretroviral Drugs, and International Response to the AIDS Pandemic*

Michael Tate, Providence College

Faculty Discussant: Todd Olszewski, Providence College