## UMBC UGC Change in Existing Course: SOCY 351 Sociology of Health, Illness, and Medicine

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**COURSE INFORMATION:** (please provide all information in the "current" column, and only the information changing in the "proposed" column)

change		current	proposed
	Course Number(s)	SOCY 351	
	Formal Title	Sociology of Health, Illness, and Medicine	
	Transcript Title (≤30c)	Soc of Health, Illness & Med	
$\boxtimes$	Recommended Course Preparation	SOCY 101 or ANTH 211 or consent of instructor	SOCY 101 or ANTH 211
	Prerequisite NOTE: Unless otherwise indicated, a prerequisite is assumed to be passed with a "D" or better.	none	
	# of Credits Must adhere to the UMBC Credit Hour Policy	3	
	Repeatable?	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	Max. Total Credits	3	Max. Total Credits: This should be equal to the number of credits for courses that cannot be repeated for credit. For courses that may be repeated for credit, enter the maximum total number of credits a student can receive from this course. E.g., enter 6 credits for a 3 credit course that may be taken a second time for credit, but not for a third time. Please note that this does NOT refer to how many times a class may be retaken for a higher grade.
	Grading Method(s)	⊠ Reg (A-F) ⊠ Audit □ Pass-Fail	☐ Reg (A-F) ☐ Audit ☐ Pass-Fail

## **CURRENT CATALOG DESCRIPTION:**

This course explores how health, illness, and the field of medicine are shaped by social and cultural forces. It examines the changing role of physicians and other providers; medicine as a social institution; the nature of healthcare organizations; and the experience of health and illness. Special attention is given to the doctor-patient relationship, and factors that shape individuals' interactions with their health providers, as well as analyzing the role of persistent sociocultural inequalities across health and health care.

**PROPOSED CATALOG DESCRIPTION** (Approximately 75 words in length. Please use full sentences): leave blank if no changes are being proposed to the catalog description. NOTE: information about prerequisites should NOT appear in the catalog description.)

## **RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:**

Currently "consent of instructor" is listed under Recommended Course Preparation and this is not applicable.