Global and Local Politics of Health Equity - marginalisation, citizenship, and future visions (March 12th 2024 9:00-17:00)

Interdisciplinary workshop organised by Sorbonne Université (interfaculty collaboration, Biomedical Humanities Initiative) and Malmö University (Department of Care sciences, department of global political studies)

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Argument: Whilst the COVID 19 pandemic demonstrated the political, economic and security costs of health inequity, for much of the world’s population, there remain significant obstacles to healthcare. New technologies have the potential to eradicate diseases and better allocate resources to those most in need, yet in practice the growth of preventative health technologies and precision medicine appears to be mainly benefitting already highly privileged demographics. Most healthcare outcomes rest not solely on healthcare interventions but factors such as housing, employment, and education. Societal determinants thus play a leading role in health (in)equity. Marginalisation can be seen as a pervasive virus that reduces life expectancy and quality, with citizenship – both where one lives, as well as one’s legal status within that location – being an increasingly dominant determinant. This workshop invites participants to engage in a multidisciplinary review of what we know about the global and local politics of health equity, including the impact of marginalisation and citizenship. And, in drawing upon what we know about the present, what is needed for a better future – both in terms of what we can expect, what can be built, and what visions can help motivate research and policy.

8:30-9:00 Welcome reception

9:00-9:10 Introduction (Louise Dalingwater & Michael Strange)

9:10-9:40 “The underbelly of India’s digital healthcare”
Prof. Reetika Khera, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Delhi

9:40-10:10 “Diabetes in a multicultural city - Cities Changing diabetes program Malmö”
Dr Slobodan Zdravkovic, Associate Professor, Department of Care Science, Malmö University

10:10-10:40 “Underway lifestyles transition in Africa: consequences on the physical and mental health of populations”
Dr Emmanuel Cohen, Eco-Anthropologie, Musée de l’Homme, MNHN

10:40-11:00 Coffee Break
11:00-11:30 “Challenges regarding health equity and inclusion for people with lifelong disabilities”
Prof. Éléonore Bayen, Department of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine, AP-HP.Sorbonne Université

11:30-12:00 “Inequalities faced by cancer survivors: Exploring the « Right to be forgotten » in France”
Dr Renaud Debailly, GEMASS, Faculty of Art and Humanities, Sorbonne Université
Dr Yann Benoist, Postdoctoral research fellow at GEMASS, Faculty of Art and Humanities, Sorbonne Université

12:00-12:30 “Understanding AI in healthcare via critical political-economy”
Dr Michael Strange, Associate Professor, Department of Global Political Studies, Malmö University

12:30-13:30 Lunch Break

13:30-14:00 “Health Inequality and Moral Distance: Historical and Ethical Perspectives on Global and Local Health Values”
Dr Mathieu Corteel, Postdoctoral research fellow in the CrisisLab at Science Po and Associate of the department of the history of science at Harvard

14:00-14:30 “Could a cross-disciplinary home-visit program within child health care in Sweden impact the trust towards social service?”
Dr Elisabeth Mangrio, Associate Professor, Department of Care Science, Malmö University

14:30-15:00 “Impact of Violence against women on Mental Well-being and Substance Use”
Dr Fabienne El Khoury, Social epidemiology, Institut Pierre Louis d’Épidémiologie et de Santé Publique

15:00-15:30 “Care in prison: Between constraints and research for autonomy”
Julie Agnaou, Nurse and PhD student, Biomedical Humanities Initiative and Sciences, Normes, Décisions, Sorbonne Université

15:30-16:00 “Migrant health in France: some epidemiological data”
Dr Maria Melchior, Social epidemiology, Institut Pierre Louis d’Épidémiologie et de Santé Publique

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break
16:30-17:00 “Women are hard to study”: An analysis of national policymaker discourse on menopause-related research
Prof. Liana Blas Winett, School of Public Health, Oregon Health & Science University-Portland State University
Prof. Louise Dalingwater, Faculty of Art and Humanities, Sorbonne Université

Round Table - "What did the pandemic teach us about health equity?" (March 12th 2024 17:30-18:30)
Participants: Michael Strange (Department of Global Political Studies, Malmö University), Nouha Touati (Medical Research Ethics, Regulatory and GDPR Referent, Epicentre/MSF), and Dr Julie Chastang (Vice-president “Collège de la médecine générale” and Department of “Médecine Générale”, Sorbonne Université)

Registration is free but mandatory as the number of places is limited.

To register, please send an email to Prof. Alexandre Escargueil: alexandre.escargueil@sorbonne-universite.fr

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