This course considers medicine in the ancient, medieval and early modern periods, including the Enlightenment, and covers a wide geographical space, focusing on a number of different cultures. Interest will centre on concepts and understandings of the theories and practices of healing and the human body, and the methodologies and apparatuses to study them. The intention is to examine continuities and discontinuities in the institutions, practices, and theories of medicine. Interest will centre on methodology, transmission and testing of knowledge, healing practices, institutions and sites of healing, both across time and across different locations. Questions relating to epistemology, the transmission and mediality of knowledge, scientific and medical authority and community will be explored.

Daniel Margocsy (dm753), Lauren Kassell (ltk21), Emma Spary (ecs12), Sachiko Kusukawa (sk111) and Mary Brazelton (mab94)

24 1-hour lectures plus 7 hours of supervising, totalling 31 contact hours
NOTE ABOUT THE READINGS
The Whipple Library has a superb history of medicine collection. All of the readings on this list are available there and/or on-line. If you cannot find something, ask the librarians for help.

This document lists A) general readings about the history of medicine; B) monographs; C) on-line reference works; D) readings specific to each lecture (many of which are sections from the preceding monographs). You are expected to read the starred items prior to the lecture.

In some cases we include the most recent work on the subject, on the assumption that if you wish to pursue the subject further, you will find references to the previous literature in the footnotes.

A) GENERAL READINGS
B) Survey texts
Lawrence I. Conrad et. al., The Western Medical Tradition 800BC to 1800 (Cambridge, 1995).
Nancy Siraisi, Medieval and Early Renaissance Medicine: An Introduction to Knowledge and Practice (Chicago, 1990).
On early modern history
Merry E. Wiesner-Hanks, *Early Modern Europe, 1450-1789* (Cambridge, 2006), or other textbooks in your college library.

Timeline
For Chronological Tables of medical and scientific writers and medical and contemporary events, see Conrad et. al. *The Western Medical Tradition 800BC to 1800*, pp. 7-9, 89-91, 207-13, 363-69.

On writing medical history
John Pickstone, 'Medical History as a Way of Life', *Social History of Medicine*, 18 (2005), 307-23.

C) MONOGRAPHS
This is a selection of monographs on early modern medicine. Books are included on this list because they either survey the subject in a particular country, or examine an archive or source in detail. We have tried to specify where a chapter is appropriate to a lecture, but you should read as many of these books as you can from cover to cover. Pay attention to the dates of publication and follow up the footnotes for points you find interesting.

**England**
Andrew Wear, *Knowledge and Practice in English Medicine, 1550-1680* (Cambridge, 2000).

**Italy**
Sandra Cavallo and Tessa Storey, *Healthy Living in Late Renaissance Italy* (Oxford, 2013).
Gianna Pomata, *Contracting a Cure: Patients, Healers, and the Law in Early Modern*
Bologna (Baltimore, 1998).

France
Susan Broomhall, Women’s Medical Work in Early Modern France (Manchester, 2004).

Germany
Mary Lindemann, Health and Healing in Eighteenth-Century Germany (Baltimore, 1996).
Erik Midelfort, A History of Madness in Sixteenth Century Germany (Stanford, 1999).
Bruce Moran, Chemical Pharmacy Enters the Universities (Madison, Wisconsin, 1991).
Alisha Rankin, Panacea’s Daughters: Noblewomen as Healers in Early Modern Germany (Chicago, 2013).

The Netherlands
Harold Cook, Matters of Exchange: Commerce, Medicine, and Science in the Dutch Golden Age (New Haven, 2007).

D) ON-LINE REFERENCE WORKS
The following websites contain useful information. In most cases they should be used as a first port of call, not as a definitive authority on the subject. If material is drawn from them for essays or dissertations, it must be appropriately footnoted. There is also a section of reference books in the Whipple Library.

• Catholic Encyclopedia: http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/