

**ECO 555.01W**  
**SEMESTER SCHEDULE**  
**FALL 2025**

**Textbook**

*Goldstein R, et al., (2021). Jonas' Introduction to the U.S. Health Care System, 9<sup>th</sup> Edition. New York, NY: Springer Publishing Company*

**Grading**

Exam x 4 = 2/3 grade

Writing assignments x 2 = 1/3 of grade

***MODULE A***

**Week 1 (Aug 25)**

Get ready for week 2

**Week 2 (Sep 1)**

Chapter 1 Introduction to the US Health Care System

Special Topic – Curing the Health Care Paradox: 3 Hidden Hurdles to Success

***WA - 1 Definition of Health Opens***

**Week 3 (Sep 8)**

Chapter 2 The Settings for Health Care

Comparative Health Systems – United Kingdom

***WA - 1 Definition of Health Due***

**Week 4 (Sep 15)**

Chapter 3 The People Who Provide Health Care

Comparative Health Systems - Canada

Comparative Health Systems - France

**Week 5 (Sep 22)**

Chapter 4 Medicines, Devices and Technology

***Exam A – Module A***

## ***MODULE B***

### **Week 6 (Sep 29)**

Chapter 5 Government and the Health Care System

Special Topic – The Prescription for the High Cost of Prescription Drugs

### **Week 7 (Oct 6)**

Chapter 6 Financing the Health Care System

Special Topic – The Physician Marketplace

### **Week 8 (Oct 13)**

Chapter 7 Health Care System Performance

Comparative Health Systems - Sweden

### **Week 9 (Oct 20)**

Chapter 8 Debates That Have Structured Health Care System Change

### **Exam B – Module B**

## ***MODULE C***

### **Week 10 (Oct 27)**

Chapter 9 History of Change 1900 - 2010: Incrementalism

### **Week 11 (Nov 3)**

Chapter 10 History of Change from 1900 – 2010: Comprehensive Reform

Special Topic – Health and Behavior

### **Week 12 (Nov 10)**

Chapter 11 The Affordable Care Act

**\*\* WA-2 – Opens \*\***

### **Week 13 (Nov 17)**

Future Trends in the Health Care System (Substitute for Chapter 12 of textbook)

### **Exam C – Module C**

## ***MODULE D***

### **Week 14 (Nov 24 – Thanksgiving week))**

**WA – 2 Due**

Special Topic – Principles of Medical Ethics

**Week 15 (Dec 1)**

Special Topic – Principles of Business Ethics

**Week 16 (Dec 8)**

**Exam D – Module D**