

I'm so ill but well enough to post my illness on Facebook for potential sympathy



GSWS 491: LGBTQ HEALTH & ILLNESS

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TR: 2-3:15

With selected readings from...

TRANS/PORTRAITS: Voices from Transgender Communities.

GAY PEOPLE OF COLOR: Facing Prejudices, Forging Identities.

BODY COUNTS: A Memoir of Activism, Sex, and Survival.

...AND MANY MORE!

This class will include lecture, discussion, media representations, and personal reflection to examine:

- ü The distribution of mortality and morbidity, across and at the intersections of sexuality, gender identity, sex/gender, race/ethnicity, and social class
- ü How health and illness are defined and socially constructed—varying over time, place, and space
- ü Alternative medicine, formal health care alternatives, and issues of cultural competencies
- ü Potential ethical controversies, such as sex confirmation surgeries and the blood donation ban for gay men