

## Understanding social inequalities and social problems in health!

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Description	Public health research and practice continue to be challenged by people's unequal chances of living full and healthy lives and by other social problems, like communication problems, that negatively affect people's health and healthcare, or public health efforts. Key social sciences concepts, including social status, social interactions and capital, can help elucidate various public health problems from the social determinants of health to health care team and health-provider/patient communication. In this course, we examine these concepts, drawing on founding texts from the social sciences and seeing how they have been applied in the fields of public health and health services.
Objectives	<ul> <li>Understand the origin and meaning of the concepts of social status, social interactions and capital</li> <li>Evaluate their application in the study of health and health services.</li> <li>Develop applications for original public health research</li> </ul>
Dates	11 - 13 April 2022
Eligibility	SSPH+ PhD students, other students and external participants (subject to availability)



Course Structure	Presentations, guided discussions, group work and group presentations.
Assessment	Preparatory work, active participation during course days, and group presentations
Credits	1 ECTS
	Preparation Work: 10h, Contact: 18h
	(1 ECTS corresponds to appr. 25-30 hours' workload)
Location	ISPM, University Bern, Mittelstrasse 43, room tba
Course Fees	SSPH+ PhD Students 30 CHF
	External MD/PhD Students 300 CHF
	External Academics 850 CHF
	Other Participants 1250. – CHF
Registration	https://www.conftool.com/ssph-phd-courses2022
Deadline for Registration	o4 March 2022