

Dear students,

Welcome to the start of *Bridge 3: Global Health*. I am looking forward to having you join me in what I hope will be an intellectually stimulating exploration of health globally the week of November 18. Please read this email carefully because it contains important information about your upcoming bridge.

In preparation for the course, we ask that you note the following:

1) Schedule:

- a. The schedule is uploaded to VIC.
- b. I'll review the schedule during the Bridge Introduction session on Monday, November 18 to help clarify any confusion.
- c. This bridge does have a group project. You will be asked to complete a Lime Survey to help determine your group and title;

2) Attendance:

- a. All sessions are mandatory.
- b. You are expected to participate in all sessions.
- c. If you have questions about attendance, or need to request time away, please email me as soon as possible. mariah.mcnamara1@uvmhealth.org

3) Expectations of the course:

- a. Please refer to the College of Medicine grading policy for Bridge Week (see below).

4) Instructions on assignments:

- a. There will be one RQ on (days) of Bridge Week, and the RQ will cover material for all active learning sessions those days.
- b. Passing the RQs is required to complete this course.
- c. Each day of Bridge Week, the RQ is due at 8:00am on **the morning of the session.**
- d. **Group Projects:** Each group will focus on a **location (city, state, country)** for the burden of disease and priority setting project on Monday. Each group will focus on an **international organization** (ie. PEPFAR, WHO, MSF etc.) for the group project on global health actors on Thursday. **Please respond to the Lime Survey indicating your preferences by Thursday, November 14 at noon.** Note: if you do not complete the Lime Survey, you will be randomly assigned to a group.

5) Deadline for cultural competency certificate:

- a. Cultural competency modules are to be completed by 4 PM on Friday, November 22. Please e-mail a copy of your post-test certificate to Jacqueline Drouin by 4:00PM on Friday, November 22.

The OMSE point people for this course are Audree Frey, the Global Health Coordinator, and Jacqueline Drouin, the Clinical Education Coordinator. They are wonderfully bright and are happy to respond to any logistical questions you may have about Bridge 3A.

We look forward to seeing everyone on Monday, November 18nd at 8:30am!

Best,

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Clerkship Bridge Week Grading Policy

70% Participation and Performance

- Cannot miss more than 25% of course (excused absence only)
- Make-up assignments completed per session missed
- Cannot make up the communication lab, clinical or simulation sessions *
- Passing grade >75%

30% Readiness Quizzes and Medical Knowledge

- One attempt at an RQ. Maximum of two RQs per day.
- Have to take RQ by deadline or earn a 0
- Passing grade >70%

Must do alternate assignment if RQ is not completed

* Any missed communication lab or clinical or simulation session will need to be made up when next offered

Students will receive an incomplete if they do not meet the minimum requirements listed above.