MEDICAL HUMANITIES ELECTIVE

Training the Physician’s Eye: Enhancing Clinical Skills through Art Observation

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PURPOSE:
This course will help students cultivate a special kind of seeing to improve clinical skills by looking at works of art. The goal is to improve student's visual acumen, promote inquiry and critical thinking and to explore empathic skills to enhance the patient encounter.

REQUIREMENTS: Complete a journal entry after each session and submit after completion of the course. Topics for journal entries will be distributed at the first class. Complete an online Course Survey once the course is complete.


SCHEDULE:
I. Sept 29 12:00-1:00 PM. AUD A  Repeated 1:00-2:00PM. (Grand Rounds) Visual Observation: The Patient Encounter
II. October 1 11:00-1:00 PM. Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts Introduction to Visual Observation: Let's Practice
III. Oct. 21 Visual Literacy: Making Meaning From Seeing
IV. Oct. 29 11:00-1:00 PM. Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts Patient Communication: What Are Patients Telling Us But Not Saying
V. Nov. 1 Learning to Look: Human Understanding and Empathy

(See calendar for locations)

Pre-registration is not required but appreciated to assist in course planning – submit your name to Humanities Academic Coordinator, by email or call: (215) 991-8464. You may also simply attend the first class and sign up!

** OPEN TO FACULTY AND STAFF**