This seminar course is intended to introduce non-lawyers to legal issues arising in the U.S. health care system and covers the law of doctor-patient relationships while addressing current law and policy challenges related to access to care. The course covers legal issues relevant to special populations, such as patients with mental illness and disability, and patients at the end of life. Finally, the course considers the legal parameters of public health authorities, FDA regulation of pharmaceutical products, and the law of research with human subjects.