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**CPH 557 Global Maternal Health: Cultural
Perceptions and Policy Approaches**

Catalog Description: This course examines historical and current global maternal health policies. We will explore how these policies are developed, implemented, and responded to by different stakeholders at global and local levels. Participants will be equipped with skills to critically appraise global maternal health policies in global settings and propose solutions to identified problems in policy implementation.(3 units)

Course Topics:

- Social Relations of Maternal Health Care
- Safe Motherhood Policies
- Global Maternal Health Policies and the Right to Health
- Policies Towards Traditional Birth Attendants
- Policies for Facility-Based Birthing

Course Objectives: During this course, students will be introduced to a range of perspectives on maternal health, and maternal health programs and policies through detailed review and discussion of ethnographies, critical essays and policy documents. Students will learn how to analyze and critique maternal health programs and policies.

Learning Outcomes (Competencies Obtained): Upon completion of this course students will be able to:

1. Describe past and current global maternal health policies
2. Compare maternal health programs and responses across cultures and health systems
3. Identify cultural, social, economic, and political factors that are relevant to and intersect with maternal health policies
4. Analyze and critique approaches used to frame problems and develop solutions in global maternal health
5. Design strategies to address programming challenges in global maternal health programs.

