

## **AIU Exam – Culture and Traditional Medicine**

**School:** Human & Social Studies

**Major:** Public Health

**Course title:** Culture and Traditional Medicine

**Credits for course:** 3 credits

**Description of course:**

- Relation of Culture and health
- Structure of Traditional Medicine
- Traditional Prenatal care
- Secular Healing

**Book & chapter:** Introduction to Public Health by Gebrezgi Gidey, M.D., M.Sc., Sadik Taju, M.D., Ato Seifu Hagos, B.Sc., Chapters 3 and 4

**Link to book:**

[http://aiustudev.aiu.edu/submissions/profiles/resources/onlineBook/W8e5d5\\_intro\\_to\\_public\\_health.pdf](http://aiustudev.aiu.edu/submissions/profiles/resources/onlineBook/W8e5d5_intro_to_public_health.pdf)

**Bibliography of book:**

Gebrezgi Gidey, M.D., M.Sc., Sadik Taju, M.D., Ato Seifu Hagos, B.Sc. *Introduction to Public Health*. Ethiopia Public Health Training Initiative, 2006.

**Format of the assignment:** Assignment must have an AIU cover page, introduction to the topics of the chapter, answers to the questions below, conclusion about the exam and the bibliography of any source material at end of the exam.

Other source material may be used in answering the questions.

**Questions of exam. (Answer with 2 to 8 paragraphs for each question. You may also give examples from your own experience and community to answer the questions.)**

1. Discuss the negative and positive influences of culture to health by giving examples.
2. List cultural practices from your locality and discuss the influence of these cultural practices on the health of your community.
3. How does culture affect health of a certain community?
4. Discuss the traditional health practices you know from your locality, their intention and implication on health.
5. What are the differences between the naturalistic ethnologies and magico-religious theories?
6. What is the definition of health according to the ethno medical settings? And what are the factors affecting health?

Further Reading...

Public Health in Africa

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