

Philosophy 2330: Science and Society: Philosophy of Medicine
Fall 2022
First short essay assignment

Please complete your essay and upload it into Blackboard on or before Monday, Sept 12th (late penalties will begin to apply after class on Tuesday, Sept 13th).

You are to write between one and two pages (500-700 words) answering the following questions.

First, explain what Rachel Cooper (2002) thinks makes a condition a disease and why. Your explanation should be understandable to someone who is not in our class. Next, critically evaluate her view. Do you think that she is right? If you think that she is not right, give at least one example that you think shows that she is wrong and explain what the problem is. If you think she is right, explain why this view is superior to some of the alternative views that we have discussed in class.