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Travel Abroad during IAP

HST.434 | Evolution of an Epidemic

January 14 & 16, 2019 | Cambridge, MA

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January 18-28, 2019 | Durban, South Africa

Course Directors: Dr. Bruce D. Walker & Dr. Howard M. Heller

Prerequisite: Application and Permission from Instructor

Open to all years, with priority given to sophomores and above

MIT Units: 3-0-1



Examines the medical, scientific, public health and policy responses to a new disease, by focusing on the evolution of the AIDS epidemic. Begins with a review of how this new disease was first detected in the US, followed by the scientific basis as to how HIV causes profound dysfunction of the body's immune defense mechanisms, the rational development of drugs, the challenge of an HIV vaccine, and how patient advocacy and public health policy decisions have influenced the course of the global epidemic. Open to students in all courses. Students must be able to attend all classes in January.

Students will be notified of their course acceptance by November 9th.

A mandatory pre-departure meeting will take place the week of Nov 26th.

Course brought to you by IMES, HST, MISTI-South Africa and the Ragon Institute

Please apply by November 4

Application is available at

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