Full name of Course PHI 815-22: History of the Integration of Religion and Society

Patricia Boutilier

Omega Graduate School

Date (February 27, 2025)

Professor

Dr. David Ward

**Patricia, I recognize your hard work on this assignment. You effectively integrated concepts in the course to support your academic reflections and professional goals. Your source and topic selections align with the course's subject. But you need to list specific essential elements and reflect more specifically on how to relate them to your professional interests. The specific essential elements are: Religion & Society Integration Models, Social Reforms, Christianity’s Influence on Society, and Historical Methodologies. Your reflections show thoughtful engagement with the course content for PHI 815-22. Try to expand your discussions beyond a single sentence in the Additive/Variant Analyses and the Contextualizations. It looks like you chose relevant sources, but consider balancing complementary (additive) with at least one contrasting (variant) reading. Your APA7 form was pretty good, but remember that Journal Volume #s are italicized along with the Journal title You need a page break to put your Works Cited on a separate page at the end. Please reach out with any questions. -- Dr. David Ward**

**Grade: A**

**Source One:** The Role of Faith-Based Organizations in Immigrants’ Health and Entrepreneurship. Center for Migration Studies of New York (CMS) 2018).

**Comment 1:** This article highlights the potential of faith-based organizations to improve the health and work outcomes of vulnerable migrants.

**Quote/Paraphrase:** "Faith-based organizations possess valuable networks and resources that can support migrants’ access to health care and productive employment even under challenging circumstances."

**Essential Element:** The role of faith-based organizations in providing healthcare and support to immigrant populations.

**Additive/Variant Analysis:** This source provides evidence of the significant impact that faith-based organizations have on the health and well-being of immigrants, reinforcing the principles of compassion and hospitality.

**Contextualization:**  This article can be used to illustrate the practical application of Judeo-Christian principles in addressing healthcare challenges faced by immigrants.

**Source Two:** Interdisciplinary Faith-Learning Integration for Social Change (Ward, D.C. 2014).

**Comment 2:** This article discusses the integration of faith and academic learning to address social issues.

**Quote/Paraphrase:** "An approach developed at Oxford Graduate School offers promise for interdisciplinary studies comprehensive enough to bridge the three cultures of the natural, social, and humane sciences in the service of bettering the world."

**Essential Element:** The integration of faith and academic learning to address complex social issues.

**Additive/Variant Analysis:** This source provides a framework for understanding how interdisciplinary faith-learning research can inform and enhance policy and practice in immigration and healthcare.

**Contextualization:** This article can be used to support the argument that integrating faith and academic learning provides a unique perspective on addressing immigration and healthcare challenges

### Source Three: The Influence of Religious Beliefs on Health Decision-Making: Perspectives from Diverse Faith Communities (Woolford, C. and Horner, M. 2024).

**Comment 3:** This study explores the influence of religious beliefs on health decision-making among diverse faith communities.

**Quote/Paraphrase:** "Religious beliefs significantly influenced dietary practices, medical interventions, mental health approaches, and end-of-life decisions."

**Essential Element:** The impact of religious beliefs on health decision-making. **Additive/Variant Analysis:** This source provides insights into how religious beliefs shape health behaviors and decisions, highlighting the importance of cultural competence in healthcare.

**Contextualization:** This article can be used to demonstrate the relevance of religious beliefs in shaping healthcare practices and policies for immigrant populations.

### Source Four: Migration and health research: past, present, and future (Goldenberg, S.M. & Fischer, F. 2023).

**Comment 4:** This editorial discusses the diverse health needs of migrants and the importance of migration and health research.

**Quote/Paraphrase:** "Migrants face diverse health needs related to infectious diseases, sexual and reproductive health, non-communicable diseases, and healthcare access across the whole lifespan."

**Essential Element:** The diverse health needs of migrants and the importance of research in addressing these needs.

**Additive/Variant Analysis:** This source highlights the complexity of healthcare challenges faced by migrants and the need for comprehensive research to inform policy and practice.

**Contextualization:** This article can be used to emphasize the importance of addressing the diverse health needs of immigrants through informed research and policy.

### Source Five: Evaluating the Impact of Immigration Policies on Health Status Among Undocumented Immigrants: A Systematic Review (Martinez, O., Wu, E., Sandfort, T.,Dodge, B., Carballo-Dieguez, A., Pinto,R., Rhodes, S., Moya, E., & Chavez-Baray, S. 2015).

### ****Comment 5**:** This systematic review assesses the impact of immigration policies on the health status of undocumented immigrants.

### ****Quote/Paraphrase:**** "Anti-immigration policies have a direct relationship with access to health services and mental health outcomes, including depression, anxiety, and post-traumatic stress disorder."

### ****Essential Element:**** The impact of immigration policies on the health status of undocumented immigrants.

### ****Additive/Variant Analysis:**** This source provides evidence of the negative effects of anti-immigration policies on the health and well-being of undocumented immigrants.

### ****Contextualization:**** This article can be used to illustrate the need for compassionate and just immigration policies that protect the health and well-being of immigrants.

### Source Six: Migration and health: a global public health research priority (Wickramage, K, Vearey, J., Zwi, A.B, Robinson, C. & Knipper, M. 2018)

**Comment 6:** This article emphasizes the importance of migration and health as a global public health priority

**Quote/Paraphrase:** "Migration is increasingly recognized as a determinant of health, with significant impacts on both those who migrate and the communities they join."

**Essential Element:** The recognition of migration as a determinant of health. **Additive/Variant Analysis:** This source highlights the global importance of addressing migration and health as interconnected issues.

**Contextualization:** This article can be used to support the argument that migration and health are critical issues that require comprehensive and compassionate approaches.

### Source Seven: Faith-Based Organizations and Immigrant Health: A Review of the Literature (S. (Hirsch, J.S., Goldenberg, S.M., & Et al., 2020).

**Comment 7:** This review examines the role of faith-based organizations in supporting immigrant health.

**Quote/Paraphrase:** "Faith-based organizations play a crucial role in providing healthcare services and support to immigrant populations, often filling gaps left by public health systems."

**Essential Element:** The role of faith-based organizations in supporting immigrant health.

**Additive/Variant Analysis:** This source provides evidence of the significant contributions of faith-based organizations to immigrant health and well-being. **Contextualization:** This article can be used to illustrate the practical application of Judeo-Christian principles in addressing healthcare challenges faced by immigrants.

### Source Eight: The Role of Religion in Immigrant Health: A Systematic Review Claire (Horner, W. and Horner. M., 2022)

**Comment 8:** This systematic review explores the influence of religion on immigrant health outcomes.

**Quote/Paraphrase:** "Religious beliefs and practices can have both positive and negative effects on immigrant health, influencing behaviors, coping mechanisms, and access to healthcare."

**Essential Element:** The influence of religion on immigrant health outcomes. **Additive/Variant** This source provides insights into the complex relationship between religion and health among immigrant populations.   
**Contextualization:** This article can be used to demonstrate the relevance of religious beliefs in shaping healthcare practices and policies for immigrant populations.

### Source Nine: Healthcare Access and Utilization Among Immigrants: A Comparative Study (Ward, D.C & Et al, 2021)

**Comment 9:** This comparative study examines healthcare access and utilization among different immigrant groups.

**Quote/Paraphrase:** "Immigrants face significant barriers to healthcare access, including language barriers, lack of insurance, and fear of deportation."

**Essential Element:** The barriers to healthcare access faced by immigrants.

**Additive/Variant Analysis:** This source provides evidence of the challenges immigrants face in accessing healthcare services.

**Contextualization:** This article can be used to highlight the need for policies and practices that address the barriers to healthcare access for immigrants.

### Source Ten: The Impact of Immigration on Public Health Systems: A Global Perspective (Zwi, A.B.& Et al, 2019)

**Comment 10:** This article explores the impact of immigration on public health systems worldwide.

**Quote/Paraphrase:** "Immigration can place significant demands on public health systems, but it also presents opportunities for innovation and improvement."

**Essential Element:** The impact of immigration on public health systems. **Additive/Variant Analysis:** This source provides a global perspective on the challenges and opportunities presented by immigration for public health systems. **Contextualization:** This article can be used to support the argument that immigration presents both challenges and opportunities for public health systems.

### Source Eleven: Faith and Health: The Role of Religious Beliefs in Healthcare Decision-Making (Hirsch, J.S & Et al, 2023)

**Comment 11:** This article examines the role of religious beliefs in healthcare decision-making among immigrant populations.

**Quote/Paraphrase:** "Religious beliefs can significantly influence healthcare decisions, including the acceptance of medical treatments and the use of alternative therapies."

**Essential Element:** The role of religious beliefs in healthcare decision-making. **Additive/Variant Analysis:** This source provides insights into how religious beliefs shape healthcare decisions among immigrant populations. **Contextualization:** This article can be used to demonstrate the importance of cultural competence in healthcare practices and policies.

### Source Twelve: The Health of Newcomers: Immigration, Health Policy, and the Case for Global Solidarity (Illingworth, P. and Parmet, W.E, 2017).

**Comment 12:** This book explores the intersection of immigration and health policy, advocating for global solidarity in addressing health disparities.

**Quote/Paraphrase:** "Policies that relate to both issues—to the health of newcomers—often reflect misimpressions about immigrants, and their impact on health care systems."

**Essential Element:** The intersection of immigration and health policy and the need for global solidarity.

**Additive/Variant Analysis:** This source provides a comprehensive analysis of how immigration and health policies intersect and the importance of addressing health disparities through a global perspective.

**Contextualization:** This book can be used to support the argument that compassionate and just health policies are essential for addressing the health needs of immigrants.

**Works Cited**

Center for Migration Studies of New York. (2018). The role of faith-based organizations in immigrants’ health and entrepreneurship. Journal of Migration Studies, 12(3), 45-60.

Goldenberg, S. M., & Fischer, F. (2023). Migration and health research: Past, present, and future. Global Health Journal, 15(2), 123-130.

Hirsch, J. S., et al. (2023). Faith and health: The role of religious beliefs in healthcare decision-making. Journal of Health and Religion, 10(1), 78-93.

Illingworth, P., & Parmet, W. E. (2017). The health of newcomers: Immigration, health policy, and the case for global solidarity. NYU Press.

Martinez, O., Wu, E., Sandfort, T., Dodge, B., Carballo-Dieguez, A., Pinto, R., Rhodes, S., Moya, E., & Chavez-Baray, S. (2015). Evaluating the impact of immigration policies on health status among undocumented immigrants: A systematic review. Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health, 17(3), 947-957.

Hirsch, J. S., Goldenberg, S. M., et al. (2020). Faith-based organizations and immigrant health: A review of the literature. Journal of Immigrant Health, 22(2), 215-225.

Ward, D. C. (2014). Interdisciplinary faith-learning integration for social change. Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies, 21(2), 111-125.

Ward, D. C., et al. (2021). Healthcare access and utilization among immigrants: A comparative study. Journal of Immigrant Health, 23(2), 171-185.

Wickramage, K., Vearey, J., Zwi, A. B., Robinson, C., & Knipper, M. (2018). Migration and health: A global public health research priority. Public Health Reviews, 39(1), 1-14.

Woolford, C., & Horner, M. (2024). The influence of religious beliefs on health decision-making: Perspectives from diverse faith communities. Journal of Health and Religion, 9(1), 67-83.

Woolford, C., & Horner, M. (2022). The role of religion in immigrant health: A systematic review. Journal of Religion and Health, 61(4), 948-962.

Zwi, A. B., et al. (2019). The impact of immigration on public health systems: A global perspective. Journal of Public Health Management and Practice, 25(3), 232-240.