Application for Registration of a New Program

Program registration is based on standards in the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education. Section 52.1 defines the curricula that must be registered. The Department registers individual curricula rather than the institution as a whole, but the registration process addresses major institutional elements. It is the chief means by which the Regents support the quality of college and university programs.

This application should NOT be used for the following types of program proposals:

- Programs Preparing Teachers, Educational Leaders, and Other School Personnel;
- Programs Preparing Licensed Professionals;
- Revisions to Existing Registered Programs; or
- Programs Leading to a credit-bearing Certificate or Advanced Certificate.

The application materials for those types of proposals can be found at: http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/aipr/register.html

Doctoral programs: please contact the Office of College and University Evaluation (OCUE).

Directions for submission of proposal:

1. Create a single PDF document that includes the following completed forms:
   - Application for Registration of a New Program
   - Master Plan Amendment Supplement and Abstract (if applicable)
   - External Review of Certain Degree Programs and Response (if applicable)
   - Application to Add the Distance Education Format to a New or Registered Programs (if applicable)
   - CEO (or Designee) Approval Form

2. Create a separate PDF document for any required syllabi (see Task 3 for syllabi requirements.)

3. Attach the PDF documents to an e-mail.

4. Send e-mail to OCUERevAdmin@mail.nysed.gov

When submitting to the mailbox, include the following elements in the subject line of the e-mail:

Institution Name, Degree Award, and Program Title

E.g., Subject: AAA College, New Program, Master of Science, English Literature

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1 CUNY and SUNY institutions: contact System Administration for proposal submission process.
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| **Regents Regions:** | 9. NYC |

| **Specify campus(s) of the institution where program is offered, if other than the main campus:** | Lehman College |

*The name and code of the location(s) should reflect the information found on the Inventory of Registered Programs*

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## Task 2 - Proposed Program Information

Guidance for this task can be found by clicking here: [Department Expectations: Admissions, Academic Support Services, Credit for Experience and Program Assessment and Improvement](#)

Relevant Regulations for this task can be found by clicking here: [Relevant Regulations for Task 2](#)

### a. Program format

Check all scheduling, format, and delivery features that apply to the proposed program. Unless otherwise specified below, it is assumed the proposed program may be completed through a full-time, day schedule. Format definitions can be found by clicking here: [Format Definitions](#)

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<td>For programs having EVENING, WEEKEND, or EVENING/WEEKEND formats, indicates that all requirements for the award can also be completed during traditional daytime study.</td>
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<td>[ ] Not Full-Time:</td>
<td>The program cannot be completed on a full-time basis, e.g., an associate degree that cannot be completed within two academic years. Such programs are not eligible for TAP payments to students.</td>
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<td>[x] Upper-Division:</td>
<td>A program comprising the final two years of a baccalaureate program. A student cannot enter such a program as a freshman. The admission level presumes prior completion of the equivalent of two years of college study and substantial prerequisites.</td>
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<td>A major portion of the requirements for the award must be offered through independent study rather than through traditional classes.</td>
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<td>The program requires alternating periods of study on campus and related work experience. The pattern may extend the length of the program beyond normal time expectations.</td>
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b. Diploma Programs

If the program is credit bearing and will lead to a Diploma or Advanced Diploma, list the 5-digit program code of the registered degree program(s) to which the credits will apply:

c. Program Description and Purpose

1) Provide a brief description of the program as it will appear in the institution’s catalog.
Answer: The Bachelor of Science in Public Health (BSPH) intends to prepare graduates with skills and competencies needed to advance population health in the New York City (NYC) region and to meet both national and global demands of current and emerging public health trends.

2) List the educational and (if appropriate) career objectives of the program.
Answer: The BSPH will prepare students for either 1) entry-level jobs in the public health field, or 2) acceptance into an accredited MPH program.

3) How does the program relate to the institution’s mission and/or master plan?
Answer: The proposed BSPH aligns with the mission of Lehman College by primarily serving students who live in the Bronx and surrounding region to provide undergraduate studies in the liberal arts and sciences within a dynamic research environment, while embracing diversity and actively engaging students in their academic, personal, and professional development.

4) What is the documented need for this program?

Answer:
Needs of Students:
Despite the projected shortage of properly trained public health workers, and the fact that healthcare is the largest employer in the Bronx, Lehman undergraduate students do not currently have a choice to major in public health. As the only public liberal arts college in the Bronx, Lehman can provide affordable access to a BSPH. Meanwhile, students appear to increasingly recognize the value of such a degree, as attested to by the steadily increasing choice of a health science minor in public health.

Since most health data are spatially-related, there is an increasing need for public health students to have at least basic training in Geographic Information Science (GISc), including the creation of clear, informative maps and the ability to analyze spatially-related data. While the continued growth of GISc may be attributed in part to its many applications, public health professionals have embraced GISc as an essential tool. Therefore, knowledge and skills in GISc provide students with a clear competitive edge in the job marketplace, justifying the proposed GISc option. Lehman BSPH students who choose this option will benefit from full-time faculty in both the Department of Health Science and the Department of Earth, Environmental and Geospatial Sciences, who are nationally recognized for their applications of GISc for research and solutions in public health.

Recognition of global health issues has risen dramatically in recent years in response to emerging situations like disasters and conflicts requiring international relief, local health effects of global climate change and the threat of spreading infectious diseases like Ebola (to name but a few). Prioritization of global health issues is attested to by efforts devoted by national agencies like the US Department of Health and Human Services and international organizations like the World Health Organization and the United Nations. Many jobs created by these demands require training in public health with a focus on global health, as proposed for the Lehman BSPH.

A search of internet-based job postings reveals many jobs in the New York City region and beyond that require a 4-year Bachelor’s degree in public health or a closely related field. Although many positions in global health would be in places like Washington DC, there are also many global health-related postings for bachelor-level positions located in New York City.

More “traditional” employers of public health workers include government agencies at all levels; however, the healthcare industry is increasingly incorporating public health principles in response to changing state and federal
legislation. Examples include the emphasis on preventive medicine, required community health needs assessments, etc.

Needs of College:
The existing MPH program at Lehman College will greatly benefit from a Lehman BSPH, which is expected to become the single greatest source of properly qualified MPH applicants. Lehman would be a natural place to continue graduate studies for the majority of students who live in the Bronx and vicinity, particularly since Lehman’s MPH is tailored towards students with full-time jobs. This is in line with policy of the CUNY School of Public Health, which prioritizes increasing enrollment in the consortial campus’ MPH programs. It is also a major priority of Chancellor Milliken, President Fernández and Dean Latimer to increase overall graduate enrollment.

A BSPH at Lehman College will enhance cross-disciplinary undergraduate training opportunities in the School of Health Sciences, Human Services and Nursing; where students will have opportunities to collaborate on projects with students in nursing, social work, speech language and others. This, in turn, is expected to increase beneficial college-wide initiatives like students interning in local communities, creation of a student public health club, the production of health fairs, a strengthened alumni association and subsequent job networks.

Needs of the University:
With its first CEPH accreditation in 2011, the CUNY School of Public Health is relatively new. It was created in response to the growing societal demands for a properly trained public health workforce, with urban health being central to its mission. Member campuses include the Graduate Center, which offers a Doctor of Public Health in various specialties, and three senior colleges (Lehman, Hunter and Brooklyn), which have established MPH degrees. A goal of this school is to create an educational continuum from community colleges through the senior colleges and the Graduate Center, which requires establishing public health options for undergraduates. This is in large part why Brooklyn College is developing a public health concentration within their Bachelor of Science in Health and Nutrition, and Lehman College is developing the BSPH major, both of which would complement Hunter’s existing BS in Community Health.

The CUNY School of Public Health is currently preparing a self-study for the upcoming CEPH reaccreditation application in 2016. One significant goal of this process is to “harmonize” public health programs across the consortial campuses, and a BSPH at Lehman College is a key factor in achieving this goal.

Needs of the Community:
It is well known that the Bronx and upper Manhattan have some of the highest disease rates in the nation. Within New York State, Bronx County consistently ranks the absolute lowest with respect to both health factors and health outcomes, according to the County Rankings and Roadmaps project supported by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. However, many of these diseases are preventable, such as childhood asthma and adult obesity-related conditions.

Since most Lehman undergraduates live in the Bronx, where they intend to stay and work, a BSPH at Lehman is critical to help address the long-term overwhelming health needs of many Bronx communities. Along with basic public health competencies, graduates of this program will also provide technical skills that come with training in research methods and program planning and evaluation, etc.

Needs related to Economy:
Although public health is a much broader field, it is closely linked to health care and social assistance, which is a job sector the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects to grow at an annual rate of 2.6 percent, adding five million jobs between 2012 and 2022. This accounts for nearly one-third of the total projected national increase in jobs. Regionally, the New York State Department of Labor indicates that public health and related health care fields are among the fastest growing employment sectors in the New York City region.

Much of the increasing demand for healthcare is due to an aging “baby boom” generation and therefore many of these people are naturally retiring out of the workforce. However, the Bronx has a disproportionate amount of preventable disease among younger populations, thus impeding their productive ability while also increasing
demands for social services, all of which has a negative economic impact. Hospitals, health care provider networks and many non-profit community organizations in the Bronx strive to apply principles of public health to reduce this disproportionate disease burden, but these institutions require a properly trained public health workforce. Graduates of the Lehman BSPH will be specifically trained to meet this need.

**Needs related to the Nation:**
The US Health Resources and Services Administration, along with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, have been tasked in recent years with going beyond their traditional public health roles. A properly trained public health workforce is needed at the national level more than ever to help prevent, prepare for and respond to both natural disasters and terroristic events. Furthermore, the nation needs to be prepared for health impacts of globalization, such as preventing epidemics of deadly viruses like Ebola while controlling endemic viruses such as West Nile. As stated earlier, approximately 250,000 new public health workers will be needed nationally by the year 2020, while only 20% of the current workforce has formal training in public health.

5) **Describe the role of faculty in the program’s design.**
**Answer:** This BSPH program has been developed by faculty of the Lehman College Department of Health Sciences. It was conceived of and developed by those faculty in the Public Health program, which currently offers a Master of Public Health as part of a greater CUNY School of Public Health (SPH). Faculty from all other programs in the Lehman Department of Health Sciences then reviewed and contributed, with a particular aim of preventing any potential conflicts with existing undergraduate programs. After approval within Lehman College, the proposal was then reviewed by the CUNY SPH curriculum committee and full faculty from the consortial campuses of Lehman, Hunter and Brooklyn Colleges.

6) **Describe the input by external partners, if any (e.g., employers and institutions offering further education).**
**Answer:** An articulation agreement with Bronx Community College has been established.

7) **What are the anticipated Year 1 through Year 5 enrollments?**
**Answer:**

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* reflects graduation of first year cohort.

d. **Admissions**

1) **List all program admission requirements** (or note if identical to the institution’s admission requirements).
**Answer:** Regular admission requirements for Lehman College apply. In order to declare a public health major, a minimum GPA of 3.0 is recommended (from Lehman or elsewhere).

2) **Describe the process for evaluating exceptions to these requirements.**
**Answer:** A minimum GPA of 3.0 is listed as “recommended” instead of required so that promising students whose GPA is less than 3.0 will not be automatically rejected.

3) **How will the institution encourage enrollment by persons from groups historically underrepresented in the discipline or occupation?**
**Answer:** Given that approximately 80% of undergraduate students enrolled at Lehman College are Hispanic or Black/non Hispanic and that approximately 75% of the Lehman health science majors are female, it is almost certain that women and minority students will constitute the “majority” of public health majors at Lehman
Likewise, both Hostos Community College and Bronx Community College have high enrollments of minority students, and these schools are the main source of transfer students to Lehman.

### e. Academic Support Services

**Summarize the academic support services available** to help students succeed in the program.

**Answer:** Aside from the Leonard Lief library, additional academic services at Lehman College include two tutoring centers. The Academic Center for Excellence provides appointment-based and drop-in tutoring in the humanities, social sciences and writing, as well as general writing skills. The Science Learning Center provides drop-in tutoring for natural and computer science courses. More information is found at [http://www.lehman.edu/issp](http://www.lehman.edu/issp). Students opting for the GISc option will also have access to a state of the art GIS lab with tutors, which is established in the Department of Earth, Environmental and geospatial Sciences.

### f. Credit for Experience

**If this program will grant substantial credit for learning derived from experience, describe the methods of evaluating the learning and the maximum number of credits allowed.**

**Answer:** Six required credits in the BSPH are devoted to a fieldwork course (proposed PHE 470) and a capstone course (proposed PHE 472).
### g. Program Assessment and Improvement

**Summarize the plan for periodic evaluation of the new program, including the use of data to inform program improvement.**

**Answer:** Program enrollment will be monitored annually to determine if the minimum expectation is being met for sustaining the program, while also monitoring for the need to expand faculty and other resources if enrollment exceeds expectation. Student surveys will also be administered at the end of each academic year to solicit feedback for continual improvement.

### h. Transfer to Baccalaureate Programs

If the program will be **promoted as preparing students for transfer to a baccalaureate program**, provide a copy of an articulation agreement with at least one institution.

*Not Applicable: X*
# Task 3 - Sample Program Schedule

**NOTE:** The sample program schedule is used to determine program eligibility for financial aid.

Guidance for this task can be found by clicking here: [Department Expectations: Curriculum (including Internships, Financial Aid Considerations, and Liberal Arts and Sciences)](#)

Relevant regulations for this task can be found by clicking here: [Relevant Regulations for Task 3](#)

**a).** Complete [Table 1a](#) (for undergraduate programs) or [Table 1b](#) (for graduate programs).

**b).** If the program will be offered through a nontraditional schedule, provide a brief explanation of the schedule, including its impact on financial aid eligibility.

*Answer:*

**c).** As required under §52.2(c)(8), research or a comparable occupational or professional experience shall be a component of each master’s degree program. This normally includes at least one of the following: passing a comprehensive test, writing a thesis based on independent research or completing an appropriate special project. Identify how this requirement is met, including course number if applicable.

*Answer:*

**d).** For existing courses that are a part of the major, enter the **catalog description** of the courses:

*Answer:*


- [HSD 269](#): Fundamentals of Biostatistics for Health Professionals. (3 credits, 3 hours) An introduction to biostatistics as used in health research. Emphasis on the application and interpretation of statistics in the context of health services, health education, and nutrition studies. **PREREQ:** MAT 132 or its equivalent, or demonstrated competence in database manipulation, spreadsheet calculations, and word processing.

- [HSD 306](#): Epidemiology. (3 credits, 3 hours) Basic principles and methods in epidemiology and their use in prevention and control of health problems in populations at risk. Impact of community health activities on individual and community responses to health and nutrition problems. Epidemiological approaches to health and nutritional care and their relationship to multicultural community health activities. **PREREQ:** HSD 266 and 269.

- [HEA 267](#): Human Behavior and Health. (3 credits, 3 hours) Psychological, social, and cultural determinants of health behavior, implications for educators in school and community settings, and conditions and phenomena that affect acceptance of health information. **PREREQ:** PSY 166, SOC 166, or Departmental permission.

- [HEA 301](#): Environmental Health. (3 credits, 3 hours) Description and analysis of causative agents of the major pollutants and their effects on man and society. **PREREQ:** Two courses in the natural sciences.

- [HSA 267](#): Management of Health Organizations. (3 credits, 3 hours) Fundamental concepts of management theory. Examination of the structure of health organizations and administrative processes, such as planning, problem solving and decision making, and quality, and productivity improvement. Emphasis on the major
issues and problem areas confronting health administrators.

**HSD 266**: The U.S. Healthcare Delivery System. (3 credits, 3 hours) Examination of the major issues in the organization and delivery of health and nutrition services. An overview of healthcare institutions, financing, management, and human resources.

**HEA 400**: Program Planning and Evaluation (3 credits, 3 hours) Identification and analysis of the processes of planning and evaluating health education and promotion programs. Examination of programs in schools, community health agencies, clinical facilities, and worksite/industrial settings. PREREQ: HEA 267 plus 2 HEA courses at the 300 level.

**POL 343**: International and Regional Organizations (3 credits, 3 hours) The United Nations' system and other global and regional organizations.

**Geographic Information Science**

**GEP 204**: Basic Mapping: Applications and Analysis (3 credits, 4 hours: 2 lecture; 2 lab) An introduction to the world of maps—how to use, interpret, and analyze maps. History of cartography, map projections, scales, measurements, contour interpretations, thematic maps, charts and graphs, remote sensing, aerial photos, and geographic information systems.

**GEP 205**: Principles of Geographic Information Science. (3 credits, 4 hours: 2 lecture; 2 lab) The use of Geographic Information Systems for conducting research and spatial analysis in the natural and social sciences. Also included is the use of computer mapping and spatial analysis technologies for studying the physical and human components of the earth's environment.

**GEP 320**: Population Geography. (3 credits, 3 hours - Hybrid) The world's population in the context of geography and demography. The theoretical framework, defined by the fields of population geography and demography, will be studied and explored qualitatively and quantitatively and will be applied to public health issues. Data sources and acquisition, population metrics (growth, change distribution, and composition), population and food supply, mortality, fertility, and migration. Lab work will provide students with hands-on experience using GISc to explore demographic concepts.

**GEP 310**: Geography of Urban Health. (3 credits, 4 hours: 2 lecture; 2 lab) The course is a geographical examination of urban health. Topics include the historical perspective of health, place, and society; mapping and measuring health and health impacts; the social and spatial patterning of health; the geography of health inequalities and disparities; health and social/spatial mobility; and the effects of urban segregation, overcrowding, and poverty on disease. Geographic Information Science will be used in the laboratory exercises to illustrate the theoretical concepts and to produce worked examples of health geography.

**GEH 240**: Urban Geography. (3 credits, 3 hours) Addresses are the contribution of geographical concepts and methods to an understanding of contemporary and future urban problems. Emphasis placed on the ghetto and the urbanized region in post-industrial societies.

**GEH 245**: Introduction to Quantitative Methods of Geography. (3 credits, 3 hours) Emerging fields of geospatial statistics, applying quantitative techniques to real-world geographic problems. Concepts and application of exploratory spatial data analysis (ESDA), traditional statistics and geospatial statistics within various software packages, including GeoDa, ArcGIS, [R], and Excel.

**GEH 232**: Medical Geography. (3 credits, 3 hours) This is an introduction to medical geography via a study of the way in which environments affect health and disease. Included is the study of the effect of the distribution of health facilities on community health and access to health services. PREREQ: GEH 101, or instructor's permission.

**GEH 490**: Honors in Geography. (4 credits, 3 hours) Individual research, including reading and—in some areas—laboratory or field investigations, to be carried out under the individual guidance of a staff member. The results must be embodied in an honors essay or other suitable presentation. PREREQ: Departmental
permission.

**GEP 204:** Basic Mapping: Applications and Analysis. (3 credits, 4 hours: 2 lecture; 2 lab) The course offers an introduction to the world of maps—how to use, interpret, and analyze maps. History of cartography, map projections, scales, measurements, contour interpretations, thematic maps, charts and graphs, remote sensing, aerial photos, and geographic information systems.

**GEP 321:** Introduction to Remote Sensing. (3 credits, 3 hours) Fundamentals of remote sensing: energy interactions between the sun, atmosphere, and features on the earth surface. Course content: structure of raster data, cell size, and both passive and active remote sensing; and spatial, spectral, radiometric and temporal resolution characteristics of different multi-spectral remotely sensed data using specialized image analysis software.

**GEP 350:** Special Projects in Geographic Information Systems. (3 credits, 3 hours) The course focuses on special topics in the use of Geographic Information Systems for conducting research and spatial analysis in the natural and social sciences. The advanced use of computer mapping and spatial analysis for studying the physical and human components of the earth's environment.

**GEP 360:** Geovisualization and Analytic Cartography. (3 credits, 3 hours) Creating maps using advanced Geographic Information Science (GISc) techniques. Focus on understanding cartographic conventions and principles of good cartographic design and analysis of complex spatial data through geovisualization methods. PREREQ: GEP 204, or GEP 205, or Departmental permission.

**Global Health**

**HEA 302:** Women and Health (3 credits, 3 hours) Physiological, psychological, political, and social determinants of the health and healthcare of women. PREREQ: Two courses in the behavioral sciences.

**HEA 211:** Perspectives on AIDS (3 credits, 3 hours) Examination of HIV/AIDS in the United States and the world, including biomedical aspects of HIV/AIDS, history of the epidemic, epidemiology, prevention, treatment, and policy issues.

**HSA 350:** Contemporary Health Issues (3 credits, 3 hours; maximum 6 credits). Recent topics of interest pertinent to the management and delivery of healthcare. Emphasis will be given to administrative, political, legislative, and legal dimensions of current health issues. PREREQ: HSD 266 and HSA 267.

**HEA 348:** Latino Health. (3 credits, 3 hours) An interdisciplinary perspective on the health of Latinos in the United States. Topics include health disparities, immigrant paradox, chronic disease, and current research on protective factors.

e). Syllabi:

For undergraduate programs, provide syllabi for all new courses in the major. For graduate programs, provide syllabi for all new courses.

The expected components of a syllabus are listed in Department Expectations: Curriculum of the Guidance Document.

**Note:** Although it is required to submit syllabi for all new courses as noted, syllabi for all courses required for the proposed program should be available upon request.

**Instructions for submitting syllabi:**

All required syllabi must be included in a single, separate PDF document.
Table 1a: Undergraduate Program Schedule

- Indicate academic calendar type: X Semester  □ Quarter  □ Trimester  □ Other (describe):
Example program schedule for a student in the GISc option.

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Cr: credits
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New: new course
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Example program schedule for a student in the Global Health option.

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Program Totals: Credits: 54 Liberal Arts & Sciences: 48 Major: 48 Elective & Other: 6

Cr: credits LAS: Liberal Arts and Sciences Maj: major requirement New: new course Prerequisite(s): list prerequisite(s) for the noted courses

Table 1b: Graduate Program Schedule

- Indicate academic calendar type: ☐ Semester ☐ Quarter ☐ Trimester ☐ Other (describe):
- Label each term in sequence, consistent with the institution’s academic calendar (e.g., Fall 1, Spring 1, Fall 2)
- Use the table to show how a typical student may progress through the program; copy/expand the table as needed.
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Program Totals: Credits: Identify any comprehensive, culminating element(s) (e.g., thesis or examination), including course number if applicable: **New**: indicate if new course **Prerequisite(s)**: list prerequisite(s) for the noted course.
Task 4. Faculty

Guidance for this task can be found by clicking here: Department Expectations: Faculty

Relevant regulations for this task can be found by clicking here: Relevant Regulations for Task 4

| a) Complete the faculty tables that describe faculty (Table 2 and Table 3), and faculty to be hired (Table 4), as applicable. Faculty curricula vitae should be provided only by request. |
| b) What is the institution’s definition of “full-time” faculty? Include the number of credits expected to be taught by full-time faculty per academic term. |

*Answer: 21*
Table 2: Current Faculty, Full-Time

- Provide information on faculty members who are full-time at the institution and who will be teaching each course in the major field or graduate program. *Include and identify the Program Director.

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<th>Program Courses which may be Taught</th>
<th>Highest and Other Applicable Earned Degrees and Disciplines (include College/University)</th>
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<td>Marilyn Aguirre-Molina, M.S., Ed.D., Professor</td>
<td>PHE 302: Social Determinants of Health (new); PHE 305: Community Based Participatory Research Methods (new); PHE 470: Applied/Field Experience (new); PHE 471 Capstone Seminar (new)</td>
<td>Teachers College, Columbia University, EdD</td>
<td>Founding Executive Director of CUNY Institute of Health Equity; edited and authored several books on Latino Health; served as Senior Program Officer at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation</td>
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<td>Luisa Borrell, D.D.S., Ph.D., Professor</td>
<td>HSD 269: Fundamentals of Biostatistics; HSD 306: Epidemiology; PHE 303: Approaches to Public Health Research (new); PHE 304: Data Analysis and Translation for Application (new); PHE 471: Capstone Seminar (new)</td>
<td>University of Michigan, PhD</td>
<td>Served as Chair of Health Sciences Department, directed Columbia University’s masters and doctoral program in epidemiology, authored more than 80 peer-reviewed articles</td>
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<td>Pennsylvania State University, PhD</td>
<td>Biostatistician for the New York State Department of Health and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources; Assistant Professor at the University at Albany School of Public Health; authored more than 35 peer-reviewed articles, chapters and a book</td>
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<td>Andrew Maroko, M.Phil., Ph.D., Assistant Professor</td>
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<td>Graduate Center, CUNY, PhD</td>
<td>Serves as the Associate Director of the Urban GISc Lab at Lehman College, authored more than 20 peer-reviewed articles</td>
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<td>Johns Hopkins University, PhD</td>
<td>Serves as Campus Director for the Lehman College MPH Program, authored six peer-reviewed articles</td>
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Table 3: Current Faculty, Part-Time

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<td>Claude Joseph, M.P.A, Adjunct Lecturer</td>
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Provide information on faculty members who are part-time at the institution and who will be teaching each course in the major field or graduate program.
Table 4: Faculty to be Hired

- If faculty must be hired to teach in the proposed program, specify the title/rank of each new position, the number of new positions, full-time or part-time status, a listing of the expected course assignments for each position, and the expected hiring date.
- Position descriptions and/or announcements may also be submitted.
- Prior to offering the assigned courses, the Department must be notified that a faculty meeting the requirements has been hired.
- These proposed faculty should be reflected in Task 5, Table 5, New Resources

| Full-time Faculty |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| **Title/Rank of Position** | **# of New Positions** | **Minimum Qualifications (including degree and discipline area)** | **F/T or P/T** | **Percent of Time to Program** | **Expected Course Assignments** | **Expected Hiring Date (mm/dd/yyyy)** |
| Assistant/Associate Professor (Program Director) | 1 | PhD or DPH, public health (community health, epidemiology, environmental health, global health) | F/T | 100% | Core courses, including Global Health, and electives, depending on need and the faculty member's areas of expertise | Fall 2016 |
| Assistant Professor | 1 | PhD or DPH, public health (community health, epidemiology, environmental health, global health) | F/T | 100% | Core courses and electives, depending on need and the faculty member’s areas of expertise | Fall 2016 |

**Part-time Faculty**

None
Task 5. Financial Resources and Instructional Facilities

Guidance for this task can be found by clicking here: Department Expectations: Financial Resources and Instructional Facilities

Relevant Regulations for this task can be found by clicking here: Relevant Regulations for Task 5

a) Summarize the instructional facilities and equipment committed to ensure the success of the program.

Answer: Existing classrooms and e-services at Lehman College will apply to the BSPH program. For those opting for the GISc option, the GISc Lab in Gillet Hall will be available for classes and student use during open lab hours. This lab contains 24 Dell workstations networked to a server, where all necessary software is pre-installed and updated as needed by a full-time lab manager who is devoted to the GISc lab. Non GISc classes requiring a computer lab will be conducted in Carmen Hall where Lehman’s IT center is based.

b) Complete the new resources table (Table 5).

Not Applicable: X

Table 5: New Resources
List the costs of the new resources that will be engaged specifically as a result of the new program (e.g., a new faculty position or additional library resources). New resources for a given year should be carried over to the following year(s), with adjustments for inflation, if they represent a continuing cost.

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Task 6. Library Resources

Guidance for this task can be found by clicking here: Department Expectations: Library Resources

Relevant regulations for this task can be found by clicking here: Relevant Regulations for Task 6

a) Summarize the analysis of library resources for this program by the collection librarian and program faculty. Include an assessment of existing library resources and their accessibility to students.

Answer: The Leonard Lief Library at Lehman College is a full service library as expected at a senior CUNY college. See http://www.lehman.cuny.edu/library/ for details.

The library’s mission statement:
“Books and technology, print and electronic documents, databases, Special Collections, and multimedia are the various formats of the 21st century academic library. Providing both physical and virtual space, websites and Group Study Rooms are some of the challenges in operating a Library round-the-clock, in a 24/7 digital environment.

We are proud of our light-filled building, and committed to outstanding user services. Ultimately, the strongest feature of our Library is our faculty and staff, who always seek ways to serve you better.”

b) Describe the institution’s response to identified needs and its plan for library development.

Answer:
LEHMAN COLLEGE  
Department of Health Sciences  
Bachelor in Public Health 
CUNY School of Public Health  
(Semester)

Faculty:  
Office hours:  
Office:

COURSE SYLLABUS

PHE 302: Social Determinants of Health  
3 credits  
**Course Prerequisites:** HEA 300, HSD 269, HDS 306

**Course Description**
The purpose of this course is to provide an introduction to the social factors/determinants that influence health. Theoretical and methodological approaches to the study of social determinants will be discussed from a social ecological perspective. Social determinants will include race, class, education, family, neighborhood, media, global influences, immigration, and gender.

**Course Objectives**
At the completion of this course students will be able to:
1. Discuss the various theoretical approaches to the study of social determinants of health
2. Describe the methodological approaches to the study of social determinants of health
3. Recognize the important role social determinants play in the health of individuals and society
4. Describe and critique the literature on several social determinants of health and their relationship to health outcomes
5. Critically evaluate evidence for social determinants of health and identify gaps in the current knowledge base

**Assigned Readings**
Principles and Basic Concepts of Equity and Health. Division of Health and Human Development, PAHOWHO, 1999  

Other assigned readings are provided on Blackboard.

**Course Structure:**

- **Class Attendance and Participation**  
Class attendance is an important part of the learning process. Students are expected to attend all class sessions and do all required reading prior to the class to which it is assigned. There is a substantial amount of reading required in this course and you may need to read some of the articles more than once. Because class attendance and participation are such a key part of class
you are expected to attend each class. Students are expected to arrive on time. Students are also expected to create a respectful environment that is conducive to learning. To help create this environment, cell phones and pagers must be turned off or set to vibrate. Text messaging is not allowed and students found to be texting during class will be asked to turn off their phones. Laptop computers and other electronic devices (i.e., iPhones, iPads, iPods, etc.) are not allowed.

Critical reading and reflection are integral components of higher level thinking and learning. This course will provide an opportunity to develop and practice these skills. Therefore, in order to have good discussion and really delve into the topics each week, students need to come to class prepared to discuss the readings in detail. These topics will likely create lively and interesting discussions and students may at times disagree with one another. Students are expected to respect other’s opinions and work to create an environment where everyone feels comfortable sharing his or her ideas.

Meeting Deadlines
All assignments are due at the beginning of class. Assignments will receive 5% off for each 24 hours they are late. Students must turn in all written assignments to pass the course.

Other Expectations
Students can expect the instructor to facilitate student learning through classroom activities, lectures, constructive feedback on class assignments, and appointments with students. Students can expect to get out of class on time as long as students arrive to class on time and are ready to begin working at the scheduled start time. The instructor will be open to constructive feedback about the course. Students can expect timely responses to emails, usually within 24 hours, however, in the rare instance where you do not receive a response within 24 hours, please do not email again until at least 48 hours have passed. Do not wait until the night before to email me about a question for an assignment, I do not guarantee that I will be able to get back to you with enough time for you to complete the assignment.

Course Feedback
During this course I will be asking you to give me feedback on your learning in informal as well as formal ways, including anonymous surveys. You will also have opportunities in class to provide feedback. It’s very important for me to know your reaction to what we’re doing in class, so I encourage you to respond to these surveys and other feedback opportunities, ensuring that together we can create an environment effective for teaching and learning.

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COURSE REQUIREMENTS
**Written Assignments:** In addition to turning assignments in at the beginning of class, all students must upload their assignments to Blackboard. All written assignments must be completed to pass the course.

**Class Participation – 10% of grade.** Students are expected to have read all assigned materials prior to coming to class and should be prepared to participate in class discussions of those readings. Because of the interactional nature of the class, quality and quantity of informed participation and contribution will be evaluated.

Each student will also be responsible for preparing 2 questions or commentary on each weeks’ readings. The questions/commentary should not be a Yes/No answer, but rather pose a question that would lead to a discussion. Questions/commentaries should cover areas such as issues/questions that were brought up by the readings, comparisons or contradictions in readings, links between readings across different topic areas, and/or controversial issues.

The questions should be posted to the Discussion Board on Blackboard by the preceding Sunday at 5 pm. Students are welcome to comment on the discussion board postings at any time.

**Weekly Individual/Dyad Presentation – 10% of grade.** One to two students will work together each week to find an additional one to two readings for the class session. Students will select topics on the first day of class, with input from the Instructor. Topics may include specific health issues or sub-groups related to the focus of that day’s class. This assignment gives students the opportunity to work independently to find relevant information, present information to the class, and lead the discussion.

**Reaction Papers – 30% of grade.** Students will write a two page reaction paper (1 inch margins, 12 point Times New Roman font, double spaced) on the readings and class material for a total of three classes. Students can submit up to four reaction papers with the top three scores counting toward the final grade. In addition to content, reaction papers will be graded for grammar, clarity, and organization as well as the use of and reference to class material. (10% of final grade for each reaction paper, total 30% of final grade).

**Research Paper - 30% of grade.** A final research paper (approximately 12-15 pages double-spaced pages, not including references) is required of each student and is due no later than May 9th at 5pm. Topics for research papers may vary widely but must be linked to the study of social determinants of health and must be approved in advance by the instructor I suggest you set up a time to meet with me or come to office hours to discuss your topic before beginning. Be sure to upload a final copy of the paper to Blackboard by May 9th at 5pm.

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**Week 13**  
Student Presentations

**Week 14**  
Student Presentations

**Week 15**  
Presentations and Wrap Up
COURSE SYLLABUS

LEHMAN COLLEGE
Department of Health Sciences
Bachelor in Public Health
CUNY School of Public Health
(Semester)

Faculty:
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COURSE SYLLABUS

PHE 303: Approaches to Public Health Research
3 credits

Course Prerequisites: HEA 300, HSD 269, 306

Course Description
Students are introduced to research and research methods, and how they are applied to address public health problems. It is centered on what research is, basic approaches/paradigms, the difference between quantitative and qualitative approaches, and the application of said research.

Public health professionals require skills to identify and delineate problems that face communities in which they work, and the ways to solve them. Often, this requires them to conduct small- scale investigations of their own, either as managers working on specific health projects, or as consultants hired to provide technical assistance. To help you to develop the skills to effectively perform this function, this course provides support for you to work through the process of considering in depth, a specific health problem, and formulating a scientifically valid and locally relevant investigation around it.

Course Objectives
At the conclusion of this course, students will be prepared to:

- Conduct preliminary assessment of population health needs
- Develop project objectives that are “SMART” (specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, and time-frame)
- Develop project hypotheses and implementation design (including how to develop conceptual and theoretical frameworks)
- Collect and analyze data (quantitative and qualitative),
- Develop monitoring and evaluation plans (including how to develop project logic models and logical frameworks),
- Develop and justify project budgets,
- Institute procedures for ethical conduct in project implementation.

It is expected that at the end of the course, you will have acquired skills in describing the rationale, objectives, and methods of investigation, implementation, and evaluation of projects in community health. Project design and implementation is usually a group effort. For this reason, you will work both independently and in groups.
Required Text
There is no required textbook for this course. The instructor has selected essential reading lists for each week. All required reading materials will be available to you at no cost. Web links and/or electronic copies of the required readings will be posted on Blackboard.

Course Readings


**GRADING SCALE**

- A = 90-100%
- B = 80-89%
- C = 70-79%
- D = 60-69
- F = 59% or less

**COURSE ASSIGNMENTS**

There is no end of course examination.

Each assignment will be submitted in word document format to Blackboard. Assignments are to be submitted before 11:59pm on the due date. To avoid confusion and to ensure that your assignments will be graded, please save your assignment with your last name, first name and the assignment name (e.g., “Moore_Mike_LetterofIntent.doc”) and for group assignment, with your group name as the file name (e.g., group1_letterofintent.doc).

It is your responsibility to ensure that the instructor receives your assignments by the due date. Problems with email or BB will not be accepted as sufficient reason for late or non-submission of required assignments.

**Individual Project:**

For your individual assignments, you will identify a given public health problem based upon which you will undertake a series of graded exercises that will lead to the development of a mini-proposal for conducting a baseline assessment, designing and implementing an intervention. You will develop structured program specific aims and hypotheses, an intervention design, an implementation plan, and an evaluation plan. Continuous assessment will be based on completion and submission of the various sections of the project design, implementation and evaluation plan. Grades will be awarded, based on the scientific merit, overall quality, and completeness of submitted work. (Up to 10 single spaced pages)

**Group Project:**

For your group assignments, you will identify a given public health problem based upon which you will undertake a series of graded exercises that will lead to the development of a full proposal for conducting a baseline assessment and an intervention. You will develop structured proposal including program specific aims and hypotheses, an intervention design, an implementation plan, and an evaluation plan. Continuous assessment will be based on completion and submission of the various sections of the proposal as well as a group
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Group Evaluation:
Twice during the semester you will submit an evaluation of your group experience.

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## Week 1

**Introduction & Course Overview**

The week’s materials will provide an overview of the course, clarify course rules and expectations, and introduce you to the principles and issues in public health intervention research and evaluation.

### Required Readings

   - Foundations
   - Philosophy of Research
   - Ethics in Research
   - Conceptualizing
   - Evaluation Research


3. For review in class from D2L
   - Letter of Intent Guidelines
   - Draft Letter of Intent with Comments
   - Group Proposal Outline
   - Individual Proposal Outline
   - Course Syllabus Foundation
   - RFP
   - NIH RFP

### Recommended Readings


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### Week 2

**Needs Assessment and Priority Settings in Public Health**

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This week’s lecture will introduce you to a fundamental element of project planning: assessing population health needs and ensuring that project initiation, planning and implementation reflect the needs and aspirations of beneficiaries. You will be introduced to a variety of approaches for conducting population health needs assessment in high and low-income countries. Advantages and limitations of these various approaches will be addressed.

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**Week 4**  
**Defining Project Goals, Objectives, Indicators & Hypotheses**

**Lecture Objective:** Defining Project Goals, Objectives, Indicators & Hypotheses

This week’s lecture will discuss the importance of ensuring that project planning is based on well-defined aims, objectives, and hypotheses. You will be presented with practical examples and guidelines for crafting project objectives that are specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time-framed (SMART). The link between project objectives and evaluation indicators will be addressed.
### Required Readings


### Recommended Readings


### Activity Objective: Writing Specific

Learn how to write SMART specific aims and when a specific aim calls for a hypothesis.

### Activity Preparation

To be assigned.

### Week 5 Project Conceptual Model

**Lecture Objective:** Project Conceptual Model

The conceptual framework represents a picture of how an effort or initiative is supposed to work. It is an explicit visual statement about the activities that will bring about change and the results one would expect to see for the community and its people as a result of the project’s implementation. This week’s lecture will discuss the importance and methods of constructing and interpreting project conceptual models.
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<td><strong>Design and Method – Quantitative</strong></td>
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<td>Building on discussions related to health needs assessment and thinking ahead about evaluation methods and indicators, this week’s lecture will discuss the various designs and methods that are available for structuring the orientation of population based health projects. Discussion and examples will be presented in</td>
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| Recommended Readings | Here are some sample size calculation software applications:  
- Epi-Info Statcalc: [http://www.cdc.gov/epiinfo/](http://www.cdc.gov/epiinfo/)  
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<th>Refine your group and individual conceptual maps. Building on your group and individual proposal background sections, we will work through the kinks in your graphical representation of your concepts, the conceptual map, both in groups and individually. The instructor will be available for questions.</th>
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<td>Prepare a power-point slide containing your group’s draft conceptual map. This does not need to be complete or fully thought out. Please bring a memory stick or be prepared to access your conceptual map on the projector via another method (e.g., D2L, email) to share with the class for critique. You should also come prepared with a hand drawn or power-point version of your individual conceptual map.</td>
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<td>Theory helps program planners to understand how individuals, groups, and organizations behave and change. It helps in articulating assumptions and hypotheses concerning our strategies, and targets of intervention. This knowledge can be used to enhance the effectiveness of interventions. This week’s lecture will discuss the importance of theory in project planning, implementation, and evaluation. It will discuss specific theoretical constructs, provide examples of application to project planning, and provide a guide for theory selection and integration in project planning.</td>
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| **Activity Objective:** Group Work | For in-class activity, each group will be assigned one or more of the above listed articles to review and present in the class.  
Move forward in your group proposal assignment by utilizing class time. Instructor and TA will be available to answer questions for the group or individual projects. |
| **Activity Preparation** | To be assigned. |
| **Week 8** | **Design and Method – Quantitative (Questionnaire Design)** |
| **Lecture Objective:** Design and Method – Quantitative | This week’s lecture will discuss strategies for designing effective questionnaires for use in primary data collection. |
### Required Readings


### Recommended Readings


### Activity Objective:

**Theory and the Conceptual Map**

Refine your group and individual conceptual maps. Building on your group and individual conceptual maps, we will work through overlaying theory onto the conceptual map both in groups and individually. The instructor and TA will be available for questions.
### Activity Preparation

Prepare a power-point slide containing your group’s draft conceptual map. You should also come prepared with a hand drawn or power-point version of your individual conceptual map. Select the theory(ies) that you will use in your group and individual projects. If you have been unable to make a final selection, be prepared to discuss theory selection with the instructor, class, and TA.

### Week 9  
**Design and Method - Mixed Method Approach**

**Lecture Objective:**
Design and Method – Mixed Method Approach

This week’s lecture will introduce you to the benefits of triangulation in public health research by presenting the case for application of mixed methods approaches. Examples of research questions that merit the application of mixed methods approaches will be presented and issues in practical application of mixed methods in public health research will be discussed.

### Required Readings


5. Devers KJ (1999). How will we know "good" qualitative research when
| **Activity Objective:** Group Work | Move forward in your group proposal assignment by utilizing class time. Instructor and TA will be available to answer questions for the group or individual projects. |
| **Activity Preparation** | To be assigned. |
| **Week 10** | **Project Monitoring and Evaluation** |
| **Lecture Objective:** Project Monitoring and Evaluation | This week’s lecture will discuss various evaluation designs and methods, and their application to project planning, implementation, and evaluation in public health interventions. Various evaluation models will be presented along with their respective strengths and limitations. |
### Recommended Readings


### Activity Objective: Group Work

Move forward in your group proposal assignment by utilizing class time. Instructor and TA will be available to answer questions for the group or individual projects.

### Activity Preparation

To be assigned.
**Lecture Objective:** Project Monitoring and Evaluation

This week’s lecture will provide skills in how to use project logic models in conducting project planning and evaluation activities. Examples of logic models used by various national and international health and development agencies will be reviewed.

**Required Readings**


**Recommended Readings**


**Activity Objective:** Group Presentations

Receive feedback from instructor, TA, and classmate on your emerging proposal plans.

**Activity Preparation**

Prepare power-Point presentation to last 15 minutes including: title, introduction, specific aims, hypotheses, background & significance, conceptual model, design & methods, implementation, limitations, conclusion. Wisely select how to best present this information in 15 minutes.

**Week 12**

**Budget and Budget Justification**

**Lecture Objective:** Budget and Budget Justification

This week’s lecture will discuss various types of budgets. Guidelines and examples of how to develop and justify project budgets will be provided.


| Activity Objective: The Logic Model | Groups will present their conceptual maps via a Powerpoint slide and reading the draft conceptual map narrative. We will work through refining the group’s conceptual map narrative and completing your group logic models in class. The Instructor and TA will be available for questions. |

| Activity Preparation | Prepare a power-point slide containing your group’s draft conceptual map. Draft the narrative that describes your group’s conceptual map. Prepare a table that contains the major activities for each of your group’s specific Aims. Select, as a group, the logic model shell/outline that your group will use. You should also come prepared with the same three materials for your individual proposal. |

| Week 13 | **Project Sustainability** |

| Lecture Objective: Project Sustainability | One of the most abiding challenges in public health project design and implementation is how best to ensure project sustainability beyond donor funding. This week’s lecture will discuss approaches for increasing the sustainability of projects. |
**Required Readings**


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<td>This week’s lecture will provide guidelines on how to examine and identify project related risks to participants. It will introduce you to various local, national, and international policies and guidelines related to ethical involvement of participants in public health research. Strategies to ensure implementation of appropriate ethical safeguards for involvement of participants in public health research will be presented.</td>
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### Required Readings

**Read:**
1. Review Belmont Report Educational Video  
   [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W7sf1A1dIGQ](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W7sf1A1dIGQ)


### Further Reading


### Activity Objective: Group Work

Move forward in your group proposal assignment by utilizing class time. Instructor and TA will be available to answer questions for the group or individual projects.

### Activity Preparation

To be assigned.
COURSE SYLLABUS

PHE 304: Fundamentals of Global Health

3 credits, 3 hours
Course Prerequisite: PHE 302

Course Description:
This course introduces the student to current and emerging global health priorities, including emerging infectious diseases, effects of poverty, conflicts and emergencies, natural disasters, health inequity, health systems reforms, and major global initiatives for disease prevention and health promotion. Students will then learn about interventions to improve global health by exploring a number of high-profile topics, including the HIV/AIDS epidemic, maternal and child health, access to pharmaceuticals, human resources and policy at multiple levels.

Required Text:
There is no official textbook for this course, although there will be required readings each week posted on the course blackboard website.

Use of Technology and Blackboard Information:
Blackboard will be used to post documents and assignments. It can be accessed via www.lehman.cuny.edu. If you have any problems with your Lehman e-mail address, password, or blackboard login, contact the computer helpdesk at 718-960-1111.

Course Learning Objectives:
Upon completion of this course, students are expected to:

1. Describe key public health concepts related to global health, including: demographic and epidemiological transitions, measures of health status, and the burden of disease.
2. Describe how globalization has changed the patterns of the spread of disease and the methods needed to control disease.
3. Discuss the multi-directional links between health and social and economic factors.
4. Discuss how social and cultural factors can affect a society’s vulnerability to morbidity and mortality and its approaches to prevention and control.

5. Identify health conditions that have a major impact on morbidity and mortality and key biological concepts needed to understand their public health importance.

6. Identify critical issues in the organization and delivery of public health and health care services and methods to address these issues.

7. Discuss the determinants of health and risk factors for conditions of major importance to global health.

8. Discuss the burden of disease in various regions of the world and the variations in incidence and prevalence both within and across countries.

9. Discuss the potential for science and technology to contribute to improvement in health.

10. Identify key organizations and institutions, their roles in global health, and the manner in which they can cooperate to address key global health issues.

11. Apply principles of cost-effectiveness, benefits and harms, and sustainability of a new intervention designed to improve global health.

12. Apply understandings of the impact of culture on health to address issues of cultural diversity.

13. Analyze the epidemiological features of a disease that provide opportunities for successful interventions or present barriers to success.

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Assignments:
Assignments consist of reflection papers, accounting for 15% of the final grade.

Group debate:
A group debate will be held, where each student is expected to come prepared and will be graded on an individual basis, accounting for 10% of the final grade.

Group paper:
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Bachelor in Public Health  
CUNY School of Public Health  
(Semester)

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COURSE SYLLABUS

3 credits  
Courses Prerequisite: PHE 302 and PHE 308

Course Description:
Community-based participatory research (CBPR) is a collaborative approach to research that equitably involves all partners – community members, organizational representatives, and researchers - in the research process. CBPR also aims to involve community members in the research process to improve a community’s own capacity to engage in research, and facilitate social change. The course covers the principles, methods and processes of CBPR for public health professionals.

Required Text:
The required text will be on reserve at the library. Additional readings (e.g., articles) will be provided via blackboard as needed.

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Course Learning Objectives:
Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:
• Describe the major principles of CBPR and illustrate their relevance.
• Identify and describe important events that have shaped the development and evolution of CBPR.
• Discuss key CBPR methodological considerations in partnering with communities, planning for research, data gathering, and dissemination of results.
• Discuss the importance of cultural competency and identify challenges in working with diverse populations.
• Identify and critically examine ethical dimensions of CBPR.
• Identify advantages and limitations of CBPR as a method for approaching study and action to address public health and social problems and health disparities.

Course Format:
This course includes lectures, class discussions, readings, assignments, a final paper/presentation, a midterm, and a final exam.

Grading Policy:
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Assignments:
Assignments consist of in-class and take-home work. They focus on a series of written assignments that will ultimately comprise your CBPR research project proposal. All sources must be properly cited using in-text citation (name and date in the body of the text) followed by a list of sources in a “references” section at the end (APA format).

Assignment 1: Outline the goal of your proposal. This will contribute to your proposal aims section of your final paper.

Assignment 2: Outline your community assessment and research planning process for your research proposal project. This assignment will likely contribute to the background and significance sections of your proposal.

Assignment 3: Outline the research methodology and data gathering process for your research proposal. This assignment will contribute to your Research Design and Methods section of your project paper.

Assignment 4: Outline your process for data interpretation, how you will share what you have learned and what action you are planning based on your findings and process. This assignment will contribute to proposal project section entitled “Data Interpretation, Dissemination, and Action Planning”.

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Assignments comprise 20% of the final grade.

Final Paper and Presentation:
The final project will combine the three written assignments and should reflect revisions based on further reading and feedback provided by the instructor. The final project paper should be between 5 and 10 1.5 spaced pages with a 12-point font. The project is an outline for a CBPR project proposal and should include the following sections:
• Proposal Aims
• Background and Significance
• Research Design and Methods
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Students will create and present their proposal to the class using PowerPoint. This presentation should be no longer than 10 minutes and summarize each section listed above.

The final paper and presentation are worth 20% of the final grade.

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COURSE SYLLABUS

PHE 306: Global Burden of Communicable and Non-Communicable Disease

3 credits, 3 hours
Course Prerequisite: PHE 304

Course Description:
An introduction to the rise and burden of both communicable and non-communicable diseases globally, along with methods for global disease surveillance and control.

Required Text:

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Course Learning Objectives:
Upon completion of this course, students are expected to:

1. Describe key causes, symptoms and effects of current and emerging global communicable diseases.
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3. Describe current methods of surveillance for both communicable and non-communicable diseases, as applied by various national agencies and international organizations.
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COURSE SYLLABUS

PHE 307: Emergency Preparedness at the Community Level
3 credits
Course Prerequisites: EVN 210, PHE 302, PHE 303

Course Description:
Human health is directly affected by natural disasters (hurricanes, earthquakes, flooding, heat), as well as transmission and expansion of diseases spread by air, water, and food quality, as well as industry precipitated contaminants. The course examines potential risks that exist within local communities and identifies public health intervention and prevention strategies. There will be class trips.

Course Objectives:
This course proposes to provide students with the following:
1. Identify the roles of the various phases of disaster management and issues concerning planning and policies in those phases.
2. Describe stages of comprehensive emergency management from a planning and policy perspective
3. Describe the role of federal, state, and local governments in disaster planning and policies.
4. Interpretation and application of mitigation planning and policy strategies.
5. Preparation of comprehensive emergency management and related plans
6. Analysis of factors affecting short and long-term recovery and rebuilding and the role of planners and policy-makers.
7. Description of the factors that give rise to disaster vulnerabilities (e.g. natural, physical, social, economic, policies, and governance).
8. Identify of the factors that give rise to differential vulnerabilities and levels of community resilience
9. Demonstrate capacity to assess and manage these vulnerabilities through disaster planning and policy-making.
10. Interpretation and analysis of Data, methods, tools, and geospatial techniques (including GIS) that can enhance vulnerability assessments and knowledge building.
11. Demonstrate skill to utilize mapping in mitigation planning and
response operations

Course Textbooks:


Resources:
The following websites will be useful in the development and understanding of disaster and emergency preparedness:

- www.fema.gov - for basic information on the federal emergency management system, reports, legal documents, training and planning documents, and status reports on disasters, as well as links to state and local emergency management agencies (including a link to the Florida Emergency Management Agency).

- www.colorado.edu/hazards - for information regarding specific hazards, full texts of the Natural Hazards Center’s series of working papers and quick response reports for recent disasters, and other information sources.


- www.iaem.com - for information on the International Association of Emergency Managers (including IAEM Europa, IAEM Oceana, and IAEM Asia), job listings, commentary on current policy issues.

- www.drc.udel.edu - for applied social science research related to disasters, full texts of some of the Disaster Research Center’s publications, including reports to FEMA and other government agencies.

- www.emforum.org - Emergency Information Infrastructure Partnership (EIIP) forum. Holds Internet workshops on a broad range of emergency management issues and maintains an archive of transcripts.

Course Format:
The course will be divided into four modules relating to planning and policy processes corresponding to these four traditional phases of disaster management. Throughout the semester, particular attention will be paid to how disaster planning and policy efforts can increase and promote resilience and reduce vulnerabilities within communities and across population groups.
GRADING SCALE:

Grading Scale
- A = 90-100%
- B = 80-89%
- C = 70-79%
- D = 60-69
- E = 59% or less

CLASS REQUIREMENTS

Readings: All reading should be done before each session to facilitate discussion. Required course assignments include the following: 1) class participation; 2) two quizzes; 3) a applied research project; and, 4) a final examination.

Class Participation 10% of grade. Class participation is an essential component of the requirements for successful completion of this class. Points for class participation are not simply guaranteed by attendance; participation consists of being present in class, reading all assignments prior to the beginning of class, and being an active member in class discussions and presentations. In addition, there will be some class activities, case analyses, and discussions. Class participation is important, because your presence and contributions are a vital part of a successful class. Interaction with others is as important a part of the learning experience as is the material being studied.

Quizzes 30% of grade. There will be two quizzes. These will cover all the material in class up to the date of the quiz. It will consist of multiple-choice and short essay questions.

Final Examination 20% of grade. The final examination will consist of short essay questions.

Applied Research Project - Disaster Case Analysis 30% of grade. Students should select a major U.S. or international disaster and prepare a written analysis (10-15 pages in length) including bibliography. Students should be prepared to provide a 5-10 minute over in class during the last class session. Using library and internet sources, the analyses should assess the state of knowledge about the disaster and provide an analysis that includes:
- a brief (1-2 page) description of the disaster and the emergency management effort;
- the nature and location of the disaster (i.e., natural or technological/man-made);
- the number of human casualties and amount of property loss.
- social and economic demographics and vulnerabilities of the area
- the government(s) having jurisdictional responsibility and involved in the disaster response and recovery effort;
The involvement of nonprofit and for-profit actors in the response and recovery effort;
• the major planning and policy issues raised—e.g., lack of mitigation effort, inadequacy of preparedness, response failure, recovery problems; and,
• the disaster planning the community had undertaken prior to the incident.

The assignment of points and the grading scale is as follows:

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SCHOOL POLICIES

Academic Integrity: Dishonesty will not be tolerated in this course. Dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, (1) plagiarism; (2) cheating; (3) having another person fulfill your assignment. To help you in understanding what plagiarism is and how to avoid it, please read the guide provided by CUNY’s provost, dean, and student affairs offices:

Any cases of academic dishonesty that I discover in any assignment in this course will be dealt with strictly: A faculty report on the dishonest student will be filed with the Office of the Academic Integrity Official; the student will be failed in the assignment and possibly also in the course. Please consult CUNY’s policy on academic integrity for further information: http://www1.cuny.edu/portal_ur/content/2004/policies/policies.html

Students with Disabilities
The Office of Student Disability Services (SDS) provides a supportive environment for students with disabilities and can be helpful in arranging student accommodations, support services, and academic adjustments. Please contact the office early in the semester to schedule an appointment. If after meeting with SDS it is determined that you would benefit from in-class accommodations, the office will ask you to bring me an Academic Adjustment Memo that specifies the nature of the accommodations. I can work with you to ensure that these accommodations are met.
COURSE SCHEDULE

Week 1: Introduction Hazards and Disasters: Planning and Policies

Module 1: Disaster Mitigation Policies and Planning

Week 2: U.S. Disaster Policies: History and Institutions

- Waugh, 2000 - Chapter 2.

Week 3: Mitigation Planning and Policy Strategies: Local, State, and Federal Level

- Waugh. 2000. Living with Hazards, Chapter 5

Week 4: Measuring and Mapping Vulnerability

Module 2: Preparedness and Planning

Week 5: Social, Economic, and Political Vulnerabilities


Recommended Readings:

Week 6: Community Resilience

Week 7: Emergency Management Planning


As a sample for analysis: A comprehensive emergency management plan of the town of West Tisbury, MA [http://www.westtisbury-ma.gov/Documents/Emer-mgmt- docs/CEMP1.pdf]

Week 8: Communication and Risk Management (Policies and Plans)


Module 3: Disaster Response: Planning for Response

Week 9: Emergency Planning


Class visit to the local Emergency Operations Center (EOC) with a tour and guest lecturer
from the EOC.

**Week 10:** Supporting Emergency Response Operations using Geospatial Technologies


**Week 11:** Collaboration and Coordination in Emergency Response Planning & Management


**Module 4: Disaster Recovery and Rebuilding**

**Week 12:** Recovery Time-frames and Differential Recovery Rates


**Week 13:** Long-term recovery
  http://www.bepress.com/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1616&context=jhsem&sei-redir=1#search="long-term+disaster+recovery"
  http://www.bepress.com/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1711&context=jhsem&sei-redir=1#search="disaster+recovery+time-frames"

**Week 14: Post-Disaster Recovery Planning and Reconstruction**

  Chapter 11- Public Sector Recovery)

**Week 15: Post-Disaster Housing Planning**

  Disasters, 31(4): 435-458  

**Week 16: Final Exam and Project Presentations**
**Recommended Readings:**


Drabek, Thomas. 2010. The Human Side of Disaster. Taylor and Francis


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PHE 340 International Nutrition

3 credits

Course Prerequisites: HSD 240

Course Description

Global aspects of nutrition and its relation to health and disease. Topics will include the prevalence of hunger and malnutrition, nutrition-related diseases in the developing world, maternal-child nutrition, infection and nutrition, globalization and nutrition transition, ecology of overweight/obesity and chronic diseases in both developing and industrialized nations.

Course Objectives:

At the completion of this course students will be able to:

- Identify factors contributing to malnutrition and explain the effects of both under-nutrition and over-nutrition on growth and disease.
- Describe the effect of nutrition on pregnancy outcomes; breastfeeding and early childhood feeding practices and their impact on children’s growth and health.
- Describe nutrition transition and how changing dietary patterns influences it.
- Explain the inter-relationships between food systems and the prevalence of major chronic diseases affecting the global population
- Explain the role of national and international intervention programs that address global nutritional problems.

Required textbook: Public Health Nutrition: Principles and Practice in Community and Global Health by Natalie Stein, Jones and Bartlett, 2015

http://www.amazon.com/Public-Health-Nutrition-Principles-Community/dp/1449692044/ref=pd_sim_b_3?ie=UTF8&refRID=19RMZGFHXP2MFZNA41NS

Grade Distribution:
Attendance and participation 10%

Midterm: 25%

Final Exam: 40%

Group project: 25%

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**Group project:**

You will work in groups of three for this project. As nutrition assessment ambassadors for a country assigned to you, identify a nutrition-related health problem prevalent in the country. You will identify the socio-cultural/ farming/ economic factors contributing to this health problem, symptoms and health-outcomes associated with it, as well as briefly summarize the role of public health interventions.

**Use of Blackboard:**

We will be using a Blackboard site for much of the class activities. It can be accessed through the Lehman website at www.lehman.cuny.edu. If you have any problems accessing the site please call the computer helpdesk at 718-960-1111.

**Accommodating Disabilities:**

Lehman College is committed to providing access to all programs and curricula to all students. Students with disabilities who may need classroom accommodations are encouraged to register with the Office of Student Disability Services. For more information, please contact the Office of Student Disability Services, Shuster Hall, Room 238, phone number, 718-960-8441.