Robert Stempel College of Public Health & Social Work
Welcome

Public Health Students!

Stempel College Spring 2022 Orientation
Wednesday, January 5, 2022
Public Health Agenda

- Meet Public Health Coordinator
- Meet Practicum Coordinator
- Meet with Departments
Become Familiar with your Student Center

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Presented by Zoraya Arguello
Public Health Sr. Coordinator
Prepare for Registration

Clear any registration holds:
• Immunization
• Residency
• International Student Insurance
• Students may submit documents to Student Academic Success Center (SASC) in person, fax, or email. For information visit https://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/health-and-fitness/student-health/registration-holds/index.php

Activate FIU – E-Mail account, https://my.fiu.edu/

Get “FIU One Card” card visit https://onecard.fiu.edu/about/card-types/

Arrange your virtual parking permit, https://parking.fiu.edu/
Once a semester, you will schedule a meeting with your faculty advisor, who will guide your enrollment and provide course selections. They will discuss program curriculum and develop your academic plan of study.

Here are some concerns to share when you meet:

- You received a Conditional Admission? Academic Conditional Admission (must complete 9 credits with a minimum CUM GPA in two consecutive semesters) or Pending Final Transcripts (must submit final transcripts before end of the semester).
- You need to miss one semester?
- You are on academic warning?
- You are missing class because you have an emergency?
Registration Process

Student Center Functions
- University messages
- Enrollment
- Financials
- Biographical information
- Student E-Forms
- Degree Audits
- Canvas
- Parking Permits
- Student Health
You are not registered in any classes at this time.

Terms prior to Fall Term 2021

Terms on or after Fall Term 2021

Fall Term 2021

Spring Term 2022

PHC 6983

Healthcare Epidemiology and Infection Control

Course Information

Select a class option

Option: Open

Regular Academic Session

Course (Class: 18812): Section: 001

Meeting Dates

Days and Times

Room

Instructor

Seats

Selected Files

Topline
Monitor Your Process

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The Panther Degree Audit (PDA) contains records of completed and in progress coursework. It’s important to review it for accuracy.
Panther Degree Audit

Graduate Career

Program
- Public Health and Social Work Program
- Public Health - MPH Major
- Biostatistics Specialization

Requirement Term
- Spring Term 2020

Requirement Status
- Not Satisfied

GENERAL UNIVERSITY GRADUATE REQUIREMENTS [RG4563]

In order to meet graduation requirements, students must be in compliance with all of the University's Graduate policies.

FIU GRADUATE GPA [RG5200]

A grade point average of 3.00 or greater is required for good academic standing and graduation. To obtain your official GPA visit my.fiu.edu. You will find your GPA under your "Academic" or "Unofficial Transcript" sections.

MASTERS OF PUBLIC HEALTH, BIOSTATISTICS [RG4343]

This program is designed to interpret information and is connected to fields in medical informatics and bioinformatics. Students must complete at least 45 units of approved coursework with a minimum GPA of 3.00. Status: Overall Requirement Not Satisfied

PUBLIC HEALTH CORE COURSES [RG5125]

Complete with a grade of 'B' or higher, with one exception of a "C" grade in 1 course only. Students must complete all core courses prior to proceeding to specialization or elective courses. No more than 2 core courses may be taken simultaneously with specialization courses, as long as the rest of the core courses have been completed. Status: Overall Requirement Not Satisfied

Coursework [RG5125/LN10]

Complete 15 units. Status: Not Satisfied

- Units: 15.00 required, 9.00 used, 6.00 needed

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- PHC 6315, PHC 6410

SPECALIZATION [RG5126]

Complete the following. Status: In Progress

Biostatistics Courses [RG5126/LN26]

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Electives [RG4966/LN20]

Complete 9 units. Status: Not Satisfied

- Units: 9.00 required, 3.00 used, 6.00 needed

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- PHC 9067, PHC 6907, PHC 6931, PHC 7719

CAPSTONE [RG4967]

PHC 5945 (predissertation) and PHC 6930 (culminating experience) are both required for all MPH students. PHC 5945 (Predissertation) may be waived if the student has at least 3 years of practical experience working in a public health setting. The waiver request is submitted by the student to the Faculty Advisor and Department Chair, for final approval by the Academic Public Health Director. Status: Not Satisfied

Culminating Experience In Public Health [RG4967/LN10]

Complete the following. Status: Not Satisfied

- Units: 6.00 required, 0.00 used, 6.00 needed

Select From:
- PHC 6945, PHC 6930C

TOTAL UNITS REQUIRED [RG4968]

Status: Not Satisfied

Total Degree Units [RG4968/LN20]

Complete a minimum of 45 units (credits). Status: Not Satisfied

- Units: 45.00 required, 27.00 used, 18.00 needed

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ADDITIONAL COURSES [RG4046]

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Courses Not Used [RG4046/LN10]

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University Policies and Procedures

University Graduate School Policies and procedures are found at http://gradschool.fiu.edu/facultystaff/#gradpolicies.

Here are some policies that we would like to bring your attention are:

- Conditional Admission of Master’s Applicants
- Graduate Active and Full-Time Status
- Leave of Absence from a Graduate Program
- Graduate Incomplete Grades
- Time Limits for Graduate Degree Completion
- Graduate Academic Standing, Academic Dismissal and Readmission

Remember that we are here to help you with any questions or concerns. Please feel free to reach out anytime. Zoraya Arguello, Public Health Sr. Coordinator at arguello@fiu.edu or call 305 348-4394.
Practicum in Public Health

- Presented by:
  - Florence Greer, MPH, MPA
  - Associate Teaching Professor
  - Public Health Practicum Coordinator
The Practicum
– Applied Practice Experience –

- A temporary position with an emphasis on education and the application/practice of public health for a minimum of 200 hours that bridges the gap between theory and practice. And, is a mutually beneficial, planned, and supervised field experience.

- Students with a minimum of three (3) years of relevant and documented public health experience may request an exemption from the practicum, if approved.

THE PRACTICUM IS A PROCESS!!!!!!
Practicum Requirements

• Successful completion of at least 30 MPH credits
• Approval by Faculty Advisor, Department Chair, and the Practicum Coordinator
• Begin this process TWO semesters before beginning the practicum (Agreements, background screenings, etc.)
• Accelerated MPH Students must begin this process during their FIRST semester in the program
Practicum Requirements

• An Affiliation Agreement with the Practicum Site
  (A Legal/Risk Management Document)
• Acceptance by the Practicum Site
  (“I want to conduct my practicum at ...”)
• A Preceptor Agreement
  (“I would love for ... to mentor me and share their expertise.”)
Practicum Requirements

• A Practicum Educational Plan
  (“My practicum project(s), goals, and learning objectives are...”)
• Attainment of at least five (5) Competencies [three (3) must be Foundational]
• International Students must complete a Curricular Practical Training Authorization (CPT) Form
• Under certain conditions an internship may be accepted for the practicum, if the internship focuses on public health
Expectations for the Practicum

• Register for PHC6945 - Practicum in Public Health (In-Class or Online)
• Minimum of 200 documented hours of field experience
• Professionalism on the job (attire, respect, safety, punctuality, reliability)
• Daily journal and log
• Submission of a Comprehensive Portfolio and Poster/PowerPoint to demonstrate attainment of MPH competencies
Practicum Placements
– South Florida –

- American Heart Association
- Baptist Health South Florida
- Community Health Empowerment Network, Inc.
- Florida Department of Health (Several Counties)
- Jackson Health System
- Survivor’s Pathway
- World AIDS Museum
- FIU – Healthy Living Program, EMBRACE, Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine/NeighborhoodHELP, and the Center for Children and Families
Practicum Placements
– U. S. and Internationally –

- Alaska Department of Public Health (Internship), Anchorage, AK
- Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (Internship), Seattle, WA and Worldwide
- United Regional Health Care System, Wichita, TX
- Men’s Health Network, Washington, DC
- USAgainst Alzheimer's – Washington, DC
- Prerana Reproductive Health Clinic – Mysore, India
Examples of Practicum Projects

• Health Promotion and Disease Prevention (HPDP):
  STD/HIV Education Network.
  – Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County, FL

• HPDP – Maternal and Child Health:
  Implementing “Count the Kicks” (CTK), an app-based tool to prevent poor pregnancy outcomes among at-risk mothers in Miami-Dade County, FL.
  – Healthy Start Coalition, Miami, FL
Examples of Practicum Projects

- Environmental Health Sciences:
  (1) First Line of Defense: An In-Depth Look at Emergency Responses to Outbreaks of Legionnaire’s Disease and How to Prevent further Waterborne Pathogen Contamination and Morbidity/Mortality.

- Health Care Consulting and Contracting, Tallahassee, FL
Examples of Practicum Projects

- Epidemiology:
  Comorbidities Among COVID-19 Inpatient Hospitalizations in Broward County, FL.
  - Florida Department of Health in Broward County, FL
Examples of Practicum Projects

• **Infectious Disease Epidemiology:**
  Will providing patients with hand sanitizing wipes have a greater effect on hand hygiene practices?
  – Jackson Health System, Department of Infection Control, Miami, FL
  American Journal of Infection Control, 2019, 1 -2

**Improving patients’ hand hygiene in the acute care setting: Is staff education enough?**
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• **b** Department of Infection Prevention and Control, Jackson Health System, Miami, FL
• **c** Department of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases, University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, Miami, FL
Examples of Practicum Projects

• Biostatistics:
  Statistical Analysis of Non-Contact Near-Infrared Optical Imaging of Diabetic Foot Ulcers.
  – Optical Imaging Laboratory, Department of Biomedical Engineering, Florida International University, Miami, FL
Remember: The Practicum is a Process!

“Create a vision, understand what it takes for the vision to become reality, and make it happen.”

- PhilosoFlo
THANK YOU!
ALL THE BEST WITH YOUR STUDIES!

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Room GL 137

Department of Epidemiology (Epi, & Inf)
Room GL 139

Department of Environmental Health Sciences (EHS, BBE, & ET)
Room GL 132

Department of Health Promotion & Disease Prevention (HPDP, MCH, & HD)
Room GL 100A