

K-State MPH Faculty Advisory Council Meeting
Location: via Zoom ... link included
September 13, 2021 at 10:30 AM
Minutes

Ct	Committee Member	Emphasis/Role	In Attendance
1	Ellyn Mulcahy	MPH Director	X
	Stevenson, Barta	MPH Staff	
	Open	MPH Student	
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3	Larson, Robert	Core Instructor	
4	Gragg, Sara	FSB	Kastner , Proxy
5	Kastner, Justin	FSB	X
6	Nutsch, Abbey	FSB	X
7	Adams Paige	IDZ + Core Instructor	X
8	Cernicchiaro, Natalia	IDZ	X
9	KuKanich, Kate	IDZ	X
10	Hanson, Jennifer	PHN + Core Instructor	X
11	Rosenkranz, Ric	PHN	X
12	Rosenkranz, Sara	PHN	X
13	Besenyi, Gina	PHPA	X
14	Mailey, Emily	PHPA	X
15	McElroy, Mary	PHPA + Core Instructor	X

Dr. Mulcahy called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM. There was a quorum present.

Approval of Minutes from May meeting. The following items were reviewed and discussed.

Dates for FAC Meetings, Fall 2021. Second Monday of each month at 10:30 AM. All meetings will be via Zoom until further notice.

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Meeting ID: 937 7689 7966 Passcode: 469550

Monday, October 11, 2021	10:30 to 11:30	
Monday, November 8, 2021	10:30 to 11:30	
Monday, December 13, 2021	10:30 to 11:30	
Monday, January 10, 2022	10:30 to 12:00	Annual Retreat to Review Survey Data

Fall 2021 Student Enrollment. (As of 8-31-2021)

Emphasis Area	Graduates	Cont	Start	Future Grads	Future Admits		Subtotal		Total	Active Not Enrolled
	Sum 2021	Fall 2021	Fall 2021	Fall 2021	Dom 2022	Intl 2022	Manhattan Campus	Other Campus*	All Students	Fall 2021
Cert Only	1	10		2			2	8	10	(3)
FSB	0	3	4					7	7	
IDZ	10	31	5	10	2	4	29	7	36	(12)
PHN	2	6	5	2		2	8	3	11	(1)
PHPA	0	4		2			3	1	4	(1)
Total	13	53	14	16	3	6	42	26	68	(17)
				Not in totals						

*Other includes Online (MMPHX), Salina, and Olathe (MMPHY) students, as coded in KSIS (which may change).

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Student Engagement. CEPH requirement: Student participation in policy making and decision making at the program level.

In the past, we have used the Comprehensive Public Health Group (CPHG) and Student Outbreak Response Team (SORT) to address this requirement. A member of the groups is invited to all FAC meetings, but due to class schedules and timing, they have been unable to attend.

1. Hold student feedback meetings at least once each semester. Dr. Adams suggested this and other members agree a semester wrap-up meeting would be a good idea.
2. Email FAC agendas of monthly meetings to MPH students and request input.
3. Have an open invitation to any student to attend any meeting.

CEPH updated 22 Foundation Competencies. Information was emailed to all FAC members in June. The updated list will be voted on by CEPH Fall 2021 and become effective Spring 2022. Changes are documented below. Every core course has at least one updated competency. When you update your syllabus, send us the updated copy.

22 Public Health Foundational Competencies Course Mapping	MPH 701	MPH 720	MPH 754	MPH 802	MPH 818
Evidenced-based Approaches to Public Health					
1. Apply epidemiological methods to settings and situations in public health practice	x		x		
Public Health and Health Care Systems					
5. Compare the organization, structure and function of health care, public health, and 868 regulatory systems across national and international settings		x			
6. Discuss the means by which structural bias, social inequities, and racism undermine health and create challenges to achieving health equity at organizational, community and systemic levels					x
Planning and Management to Promote Health					
8. Apply awareness of cultural values and practices to the design, implementation, or critique of public health policies or programs					x
Policy in Public Health					
12. Discuss the policy-making process including the roles of ethics and evidence		x	x	x	
Leadership					
16. Apply leadership and/or management principles to address a relevant issue		x			x
Communication					
19. Communicate audience-appropriate (i.e., non-academic, non-peer audience) public health content, both in writing and through oral presentation	DMP 815 or FNDH 880 or KIN 890				
Interprofessional and/or Intersectional Practice					
21. Integrate perspectives from other sectors and/or professions to promote and advance population health		x			x
Systems Thinking					
22. Apply a systems thinking tool to visually represent a public health issue in a format other than standard narrative (Apply in MPH 840 Public Health Practice)	x	x		x	x

Excerpt below CEPH document concerning updates to competencies, pay particular attention to footnotes:

844 **Assessment may occur in simulations, group projects, presentations, written products, etc.**

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846 Since the unit must demonstrate that all students perform all competencies, units must define
847 methods to assess individual students' competency attainment in group projects Also,
848 assessment should occur in a setting other than an internship, which is tailored to individual
849 student needs and designed to allow students to practice skills previously learned in a classroom.
850 Additionally, assessment must occur outside of the integrative learning experience (see Criterion
851 D7), which is designed to integrate previously-attained skills in new ways.

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853 **These competencies are informed by the traditional public health core knowledge areas,**
854 **(biostatistics, epidemiology, social and behavioral sciences, health services administration and**
855 **environmental health sciences), as well as cross-cutting and emerging public health areas.**

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857 **Evidence-based Approaches to Public Health**

858 1. **Apply epidemiological methods to ~~the breadth of~~ settings and situations in public health**
859 **practice**

860 2. **Select quantitative and qualitative data collection methods appropriate for a given public**
861 **health context**

862 3. **Analyze quantitative and qualitative data using biostatistics, informatics, computer-based**
863 **programming, and software, as appropriate**

864 4. **Interpret results of data analysis for public health research, policy, or practice**

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866 **Public Health & Health Care Systems**

867 5. **Compare the organization, structure and function of health care, public health, and**
868 **regulatory systems across national and international settings**

869 6. **Discuss the means by which structural bias, social inequities, and racism undermine**
870 **health and create challenges to achieving health equity at organizational, community and**
871 **~~societal~~ systemic levels**

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873 **Planning & Management to Promote Health**

874 7. **Assess population needs, assets, and capacities that affect communities' health**

875 8. **Apply awareness of cultural values and practices to the design, ~~of~~ implementation, or**
876 **critique of public health policies or programs**

877 9. **Design a population-based policy, program, project, or intervention**

878 10. **Explain basic principles and tools of budget and resource management¹³**

879 11. **Select methods to evaluate public health programs**

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881 **Policy in Public Health**

882 12. **Discuss ~~multiple dimensions of~~ the policy-making process¹⁴, including the roles of ethics**
883 **and evidence**

884 13. **Propose strategies to identify stakeholders and build coalitions and partnerships for**
885 **influencing public health outcomes**

886 14. **Advocate for political, social, or economic policies and programs that will improve health**
887 **in diverse populations¹⁵**

¹³ "Resource management" refers to stewardship (planning, monitoring, etc.) of resources throughout a project, not simply preparing a budget statement that projects what resources will be required.

¹⁴ This competency refers to technical aspects of how public policies are created and adopted, including legislative and/or regulatory roles and processes, ethics in public policy making, and the role of evidence in creating policy.

888 15. Evaluate policies for their impact on public health and health equity

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890 Leadership

891 16. Apply leadership and/or management principles to address a relevant issue¹⁸ of
892 leadership, governance, and management, which include such principles may include
893 creating a vision, empowering others, fostering collaboration, and guiding decision
894 making

895 17. Apply negotiation and mediation skills to address organizational or community
896 challenges¹⁷.

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898 Communication

899 ~~17,18.~~ 18. Select communication strategies for different audiences and sectors

900 ~~18,19.~~ 19. Communicate audience-appropriate (i.e., non-academic, non-peer audience) public
901 health content, both in writing and through oral presentation

902 ~~19,20.~~ 20. Describe the importance of cultural competence in communicating public health
903 content

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905 Interprofessional and/or Intersectoral Practice

906 ~~20,21.~~ 21. Integrate perspectives from other sectors and/or professions to promote and
907 advance population health¹⁸ ~~Perform effectively on interprofessional teams~~

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909 Systems Thinking

910 ~~24,22.~~ 22. Apply a systems thinking tool to visually represent a public health issue in a
911 format other than standard narrative¹⁹

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913 Required documentation:

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915 4) List the coursework and other learning experiences required for the school or program's MPH
916 degrees, including the required curriculum for each concentration and combined degree option.

¹⁵ This competency refers to the ability to influence policy and/or decision making, such as through stakeholder mobilization, educating policy makers, etc. Ability to argue in support of (or in opposition to) a position, as in a standard debate, is not sufficient. Students must produce a product that would be part of an advocacy campaign or effort (e.g., legislative testimony, fact sheets, advocacy strategy outline, etc).

¹⁶ Such principles may include creating a vision, empowering others, fostering collaboration, and guiding decision making

¹⁷ "Negotiation and mediation," in this competency, refers to the set of skills needed when a common solution is required among parties with conflicting interests and/or different desired outcomes. Such skills extend beyond the level of negotiation required in a successful intra-group process; effective communication within a work group or team is more closely related to competency 16.

¹⁸ This competency requires direct engagement (in-person or online) between the student and an individual or individuals in a profession or sector other than public health; students must combine the external sector/profession's perspective and/or knowledge with their own public health training to complete a task, solve a problem, etc.. Role-playing, in which public health students assume the identity of an individual from another profession or sector to which they do not already belong, is not an acceptable substitute for actual engagement with an individual or individuals from a profession or sector outside of public health.

¹⁹ Systems thinking tools depict or map complex relationships, demonstrating, for example, how component parts of a system interact with and influence one another. Examples include causal loop diagrams, systems archetypes, network analyses, and concept maps. Logic models and evidence tables are not sufficient to address this competency.

917 Information may be provided in the format of Template D2-1 or in hyperlinks to student
918 handbooks or webpages, but the documentation must present a clear depiction of the
919 requirements for each MPH degree. (self-study document)

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921 2) List the required curriculum for each combined degree option in the same format as above,
922 clearly indicating (using italics or shading) any requirements that differ from MPH students who
923 are not completing a combined degree. (self-study document)

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925 ↗3) Provide a matrix, in the format of Template D2-2, that indicates the assessment activity for each
926 of the foundational competencies listed above (1-22). If the school or program addresses all of
927 the listed foundational competencies in a single, common core curriculum, the school or program
928 need only present a single matrix. If combined degree students do not complete the same core
929 curriculum as students in the standalone MPH program, the school or program must present a
930 separate matrix for each combined degree. If the school or program relies on concentration-
931 specific courses to assess some of the foundational competencies listed above, the school or
932 program must present a separate matrix for each concentration. (self-study document)

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934 ↗4) Include the most recent syllabus from each course listed in Template D2-1, or written guidelines,
935 such as a handbook, for any required elements listed in Template D2-1 that do not have a
936 syllabus. If the syllabus does not contain a specific, detailed set of instructions for the assessment
937 activity listed in Template D2-2, provide additional documentation of the assessment, e.g.,
938 sample quiz question, full instructions for project, prompt for written discussion post, etc.
939 (electronic resource file)

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941 ↗5) If applicable, assess strengths and weaknesses related to this criterion and plans for
942 improvement in this area. (self-study document)

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945 D3. DrPH Foundational Competencies (SPH and PHP, if applicable)

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947 The DrPH is the professional doctoral degree in public health, designed to produce transformative
948 academic and practice leaders with expertise in evidence-based public health practice and
949 research. These individuals are able to convene diverse partners; communicate to effect change
950 across a range of sectors and settings; synthesize and translate findings; and generate practice-
951 based evidence that advances programs, policies, services and/or systems addressing population
952 health. DrPH graduates demonstrate the competencies defined in this criterion.

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954 The school or program documents at least one specific, required assessment activity (e.g.,
955 component of existing course, paper, presentation, test) for each competency below, during
956 which faculty or other qualified individuals (~~e.g., preceptors~~) validate the student's ability to
957 perform the competency.

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959 Assessment opportunities may occur in foundational courses that are common to all students, in
960 courses that are required for a concentration or in other educational requirements outside of
961 designated coursework, but the school or program must assess *all* DrPH students, at least once,
962 on each competency. Assessment may occur in simulations, group projects²⁰, presentations,
963 written products, etc.

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965 Data & Analysis

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967 1. Explain qualitative, quantitative, mixed methods and policy analysis research and
968 evaluation methods to address health issues at multiple (individual, group, organization,
community, and population) levels

²⁰ Since the unit must demonstrate that all students perform all competencies, units must define methods to assess individual students' competency attainment in group projects.

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CEPH 2026 Timeline

Fall 2026, before Dec 2026	Site Visit
Spring 2026, 5 months before site visit	Prelim self-study submission
By Dec 2024	CEPH schedules site visit

Curriculum Design/Review. FAC discussed plan for CEPH 2026, and agreed with tentative outline of core course/emphasis review. Committee consists of core instructor(s) of course being reviewed, one representative from each emphasis area and an additional member from the area under review, and Dr. Mulcahy. Dr. Kastner suggested the faculty members teaching the Communications competencies also meet to review; DMP 815, FNDH 880, PHN 880. The FAC agreed to this review. Dr. Adams asked to review the previous core course review for MPH 802. Dr. Mulcahy will contact each group to establish these committees.

Academic Year of Review (starting)	2022 (F2021)	2023 (F2022)	2024 (F2023)	2025 (F2024)
Emphasis Area to be Reviewed	PHPA	FSB	IDZ	PHN
Review due to FAC	Feb Mtg 2022	Feb Mtg 2023	Feb Mtg 2024	Feb Mtg 2025
Core Course to be Reviewed				
MPH 754 Introduction to Epidemiology (Larson)			X	
MPH 720 Admin of Health Care Orgs (Hanson)				X
MPH 818 Soc/Behav Bases of Public Health (McElroy)	X			
MPH 701 Fund Methods of Biostatistics (open)		(X)		
MPH 802 Environmental Health (Adams)			X	
DMP 815, FNDH 880, PHN 880; Communications competencies				

Curriculum Committee	2022 (F2021)	2023 (F2022)	2024 (F2023)	2025 (F2024)
FSB Rep: Sara Gragg				
FSB Rep: Abbey Nutsch	X			
FSB Rep:				
IDZ Rep & MPH 802: Paige Adams				
IDZ Rep: Kate KuKanich				
IDZ Rep:				
MPH 754: Bob Larson				
PHN Rep: Sara Rosenkranz				
PHN Rep: Ric Rosenkranz	X			
PHN Rep: Jennifer Hanson				
Other: Brian Linshield, Elaine Johannes				
PHPA Rep: Emily Mailey	X			
PHPA Rep: Mary McElroy (MPH 818)	X			
PHPA Rep: Gina Besenyi	X			
Other: Jennifer Miller (BSPH)	X			
Communications PHPA Rep:				
Communications PHN Rep:				
Communications IDZ/FSB, DMP 815 Rep: Dr. Kastner				

Faculty Extramural Service and Community Involvement. Dr. Mulcahy asked the FAC members to submit their extramural service and community involvement annually for the next CEPH review process.

BSPH. The FAC agreed to invite Dr. Miller to our meetings.