

Georgia State University
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Dates

January 19 MLK Day; university closed
January 20 Inauguration Day
January 28 IPH Coffee Hour, 3:30-4:30, Location: Golden Key Room
February 11 Grand Rounds featuring Fulbright Student Panel
Location: Lanier Suite

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New GSU President Starts this Spring

As many of you know, GSU welcomed Dr. Mark Becker as its 7th university president. The Institute of Public Health is also pleased to announce that Dr. Becker will have a faculty appointment in the Institute as well as in the Math department. For more details about the new president, visit: <http://www.gsu.edu/president/31027.html>

The Gates Foundation and Smoking Reduction in China

Dr. Michael Eriksen is featured this week in GSU news for his tobacco control efforts in China with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. For the full article, visit:

http://www2.gsu.edu/~wwwexa/news/archive/2009/09_0114-smokinginChina.html

Former IPH Associate Director Named College President

Dr. Valerie Hepburn, former Associate Director in the Institute, was officially named the new president of the College of Coastal Georgia after serving as interim president for the past six months. Read more about her appointment at: <http://www.usg.edu/news/2009/011309-1.phtml>

Spring Practicum Class Meeting Dates:

January 22, February 19, March 19, and April 16
Times: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Location: TBA

Please contact practicum coordinator, Courtney Burton at cmburton@gsu.edu if you wish to present on these dates or to schedule a practicum advising meeting.

Capstone Guidelines

New capstone guidelines are now available on the IPH website. Please visit the following link for more details: http://publichealth.gsu.edu/current_students.asp

Public Health Grand Rounds

Feb. 11th – Fulbright Student Panel, IPH

Mar. 11th – Dr. Wayne Giles, CDC, Director of the Division of Adult and Community Health

Apr. 8th – Dr. Melinda Millard-Stafford – GA Tech, Professor and Associate Chair, School of Applied Physiology

Spring Grand Rounds will be held in the Student Center, Lanier Suite.

Alumni News

Meg Watson recently co-authored articles on cervical cancer. Please see the following link: <http://www3.interscience.wiley.com/cgi-bin/home> to access these articles.

New Report Highlights Division of Public Health

Overview of Georgia's Public Health Budget and Activities can be found on the following link: <http://www.gbpi.org/documents/20090113.pdf>

The IPH Website is updated often with news, academic offerings, and professional opportunities. Visit often.

This week...

- See an op-ed from Dr. Eriksen
- A group photo of the new spring class

PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Emory Public Health Opportunities Career Fair – NEW POSTING

Friday, February 6, 2009

10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Emory conference Center Hotel

\$25 fee for non-Emory students

http://www.sph.emory.edu/CAREER/fair_students.php

Director of Marketing and Communications

Feminist Women's Health Center

<http://www.idealists.org/en/job/320883-207>

Atlanta, Georgia, United States

Public Health Summer Fellows Program (PHSFP)

Visit <http://minorityhealth.org/p-student-public.html> for more details.

Mount Sinai International Exchange Program for Minority Students

The Mount Sinai International Exchange Program for Minority Students invites recent minority graduates and current undergraduate and graduate minority students to participate in an exciting and unique international exchange program. Upon their return to the United States, interns will be skilled in community-based research and motivated to become key contributors to the nation's quest to address health disparities.

To apply:

http://www.mssm.edu/cpm/education/iep_minority/application_info.shtml

RESEARCH "SWAT" TEAM – CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The North American Quitline Consortium (NAQC) is developing a group of researchers and researchers-in-training to be able to provide timely and targeted responses to member requests for data, NAQC-initiated projects, or opportunities that arise to provide the quitline community with easy-to-use information. To be considered, please send a CV with references and a writing sample to Jessie Saul, Director of Research, at jsaul@naquitline.org. For questions, please contact Jessie at the same email address, or at 602.279.2719.

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Health Promotion Internships in Ecuador

P H E I E, a recently formed private educational and social service organization established in Quito, Ecuador is devoted to organize full internships in the field of Health Promotion and Public Health Education at Ecuadorean urban and rural health and educational centers. This new organization is offering two regular summer programs and customized programs during the year, starting in 2009. Details are posted at www.pheie.org

World Health Organization Internship Opportunities

Deadline: December 1 - January 31 for Summer Internships;
September 1 -October 31 for Winter Internships

For more information, including conditions of the internship and to apply,
<http://www.who.int/employment/internship/interns/en/index.html>

HHS Emerging Leaders Program: Application Deadline, February 6, 2009

The Emerging Leaders Program (ELP) is designed to recruit high potential employees and provide fast track development highlighting leadership and business skills through experiential learning and training. Please see the following link:
<http://hhsu.learning.hhs.gov/elp/>

CONFERENCES / MEETINGS

GPHA First Annual Future Leaders Conference – NEW POSTING

The Georgia Public Health Association will hold its First Annual Future Leaders Conference on Friday, April 3, 2009, in Macon at Mercer University. This one day conference is open to students enrolled in health programs at Universities in Georgia.

GPHA is soliciting proposals for presentations at the conference. Details including forms for registration, abstract submission and a draft agenda, are available on the GPHA web site [<http://www.gapha.org/future-leaders-conference/>] Registration for students is free.

Students will have an opportunity to interact with public health professionals from a variety of backgrounds and disciplines during the conference, as well as make presentations on research projects.

SPACE IS STILL AVAILABLE! – NEW POSTING

NEHA's Radon Resistant New Construction (RRNC) Workshop, being hosted in D.C. this February 11-13. The submittal deadline for letters of intent to apply is coming up fast.... January 19th of next week!

As always, NEHA is selecting individuals to attend via sponsorship, all-expenses-paid. We still have space left and of course need to extend additional promotional methods with your help, so we can assure to have a full class and offer this great opportunity to all. We kindly ask you to help spread the word of this opportunity by simply passing along this info in the method(s) of your choice, may it be E-mail, list serves, etc.

The NEHA application flyer can be found at
http://neha.org/pdf/research/Radon_Promo_120108.pdf

Training Opportunity - NEW POSTING Institute on Systems Science and Health

Application Deadline: February 13, 2009 11:59pm (Eastern)

May 3-8, 2009
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Organized by
University of Michigan
Center for Social Epidemiology and Population Health
Center for the Study of Complex Systems

National Association of Chronic Disease Directors

with guidance and support from the

NIH Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research
and the

CDC Syndemics Prevention Network

Application Information Available:

www.chronicdisease.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3811

Health Disparities Conference Call for Posters Deadline February 9, 2009

The Xavier University of Louisiana College of Pharmacy, Center for Minority Health and Health Disparities, Research and Education will sponsor its Third Annual Health Disparities Conference April 19-21, 2009 and is soliciting abstracts for poster presentation. This year's conference will focus on replicable multidisciplinary, collaborative models and approaches from the clinical, research, and community arenas that integrate all levels of providers to improve health outcomes and eliminate health disparities. **All accepted abstracts will be presented as posters at the Third Annual Health Disparities Conference in New Orleans.**

For submittal guidelines and forms, grading criteria, etc. visit <http://xula09.the1joshuagroup.com/posters.html>.

NATIONAL Student Safety Summit, New York City

The NATIONAL Student Safety Summit will be held on February 5-6, 2009 in New York City, and will feature real-world simulations of community response to school violence and related tragedies.

Registration in this link; http://www.comfori.com/nsss/nsss_registration_form.pdf and return via FAX 213-559-8700 *Register Today!* ...Special Promotional Rate Applies Through November 30, 2008

12th Annual Health Education Advocacy Summit

February 21-23, 2009 in Washington, D.C.

Student Scholarships are available for the 11th Annual Health Education Advocacy Summit!

To download and print the scholarship application please visit:

http://www.sophe.org/content/docs/Student_Scholarship_Application_2009.pdf

Questions about summit support? Contact: Carmen J. Head at chead@sophe.org

2009 National Leadership Summit on Eliminating Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health February 25-27, 2009

The Office of Minority Health (OMH), Department of Health and Human Services, issues this Call for Abstracts for oral and poster presentations as part of the Third National Leadership Summit on Eliminating Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities. The Summit will include sessions which highlight progress, challenges, and opportunities for improving the health of minority populations since the release of the 1985 "Report of the Secretary's Task Force on Black and Minority Health." For more information about the NPA, please visit <http://www.omhrc.gov/npa>.

Society for Advancement of Violence & Injury Research National Meeting March 5-6, 2009

The 2009 Society for Advancement of Violence and Injury Research National Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia is being co-sponsored by the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, the Emory Center for Injury Control, and SAVIR. The Pre-Conference workshop I is March 4, 2009; and an Opening reception March 5th, 2009 at the Carter Center.

This year's theme is: "From Discovery to Practice: Innovative Translational Approaches to Injury Prevention and Care"

The 7th National Forum for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention

It will be held on the campus of George Washington University in Washington, D.C. on **March 18-20, 2009**. This year's National Forum theme is "Seizing Opportunities." The 2009 agenda will include nationally renowned keynote speakers, interactive panel discussions, implementation group meetings and special networking opportunities.

2009 NATIONAL HIV PREVENTION CONFERENCE

The sixth National HIV Prevention Conference, *Promoting Synergy Between Science and Program: Innovation and Action to End the Epidemic* convened by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other public, private, and government agencies announce a Call For Abstracts highlighting HIV prevention in the United States. The conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta and the Atlanta Marriott Marquis, in Atlanta, GA from August 23 - 26, 2009.. Visit <http://www.2009nhpc.org/>

Save the date**Health People in a Healthy Environment**

2009 National Environmental Public Health Conference

October 26-28, 2009

Sheraton Atlanta Hotel

Organized by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Environmental Health and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry & National Environmental Health Association

FELLOWSHIPS / SCHOLARSHIPS

The Wellstone Fellowship. The application deadline for the Wellstone Fellowship is February 6, 2009.

The Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice (<http://www.familiesusa.org/about/wellstone-fellowship.html>) aims to advance social justice through health care advocacy by focusing particularly on the unique challenges facing communities of color. Through this fellowship, established to honor the memory of the late Senator Paul D. Wellstone, the hope is to expand the pool of talented social justice advocates from underrepresented racial and ethnic minority groups.

You can find more information, including a downloadable application form, on our Web site: <http://www.familiesusa.org/about/wellstone-fellowship.html>

If you have any questions about the Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice please email: wellstonefellowship@familiesusa.org.

Both fellowships are year-long, full-time, salaried positions at our office in Washington, DC. Each year, one candidate will be selected for each fellowship. Selected fellows will receive a compensatory package that includes an annual salary of \$35,000 and excellent health care benefits.

ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notice to CPH Students

Please submit the following form:

<http://publichealth.gsu.edu/pdf/GCPHApplication.pdf> prior to completing the certificate program. The form should be submitted to the Graduate Coordinator, Courtney Burton.

Selecting a MPH Specialty Track and Program of Study

By the end of the second semester or after completing required courses, whichever comes first, MPH students must select a specialty track. Selection should be done in consultation with the student's faculty advisor. At the time of selection, a Program of Study (POS) form should be filed by the student. The POS may be updated from time to time as course work progresses. Please see

SAS Software

IS&T has received authorization from SAS Inc. to distribute the SAS analytics software to Georgia State students. SAS version 9.1.3 is available for \$30 per copy, which just covers the cost of the CD and duplication. For more information, contact the Help Center at (404) 413-HELP(4357).

GSU Online Writing Resources

<http://www.wac.gsu.edu/23793.html>

ASPH Recommended Reading From The Schools of Public Health

http://fridayletter.asph.org/article_view.cfm?FLE_Index=6541&FL_Index=1498

Internship/Scholarship website

<http://socrates.berkeley.edu/~cphpweb/career/fellowships.html>