

CEPH Annual Report 2009-2010

Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

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Self-evaluation activities undertaken in the academic year preceding submission of the questionnaire:

Student course evaluations were obtained for each individual course at the end of each academic quarter throughout the year; the results were compiled by the Graduate Program Office and distributed for review and comment to the individual instructors, the course directors, the Division directors, and the Department administration.

Additionally, on an annual basis, a faculty survey, an alumni survey, an exit survey of graduating students, and two group out-briefings of graduates were conducted. The faculty survey was conducted to ascertain the scholarly activity of PMB faculty in the areas of teaching, research, and service, in order to determine if stated Departmental goals were met. The exit survey of all graduating students evaluated the overall performance of the PMB graduate programs and the learning environment at USU and also sought to identify areas in need of improvement. An out-briefing with the entire PMB graduating class was conducted by the Director and Deputy Director of PMB Graduate Programs to ascertain student views about their overall academic experience at USU. In addition, an out-briefing for all PMB graduating students was conducted by faculty volunteers from the Graduate School of Nursing independent of PMB faculty or staff involvement to evaluate strengths and weaknesses of the academic degree programs, as well as to address the performance of PMB faculty and staff. Finally, an Alumni Survey was also conducted for the Class of 2008 and their current employers in order to determine if their PMB graduate education provided appropriate preparation for their current positions.

In addition to these annual evaluations, a site-visit of the Department by the Applied Sciences Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) concerning the 2-year thesis-based Master of Science in Public Health – Environmental and Occupational Health specialty track was conducted and resulted in full accreditation of that program.

In anticipation of a revision of the International Health / Global Health area of concentration of the Masters of Public Health degree, a complete course review, as well as revision of specialty area objectives and competencies, was undertaken.

Change in relationship of the program to the department, school or parent institution:

Administrative Reorganization:

CEPH was notified in a letter dated July, 2010 of substantive changes in the program, which included three internal changes in the Departmental and program administration: (1) the appointment of a Vice Chair for Preventive Medicine, (2) the establishment of the Division of Global Health, and (3) the establishment of the position of Director of the Master of Public Health Program. This reorganization will not result in changes in the personnel overseeing the MPH program or in the day-to-day operations of the PMB Graduate Programs Office, but rather clarifies the PMB Graduate Programs organization.

Changes in the program's governance processes and structure:

Degrees or specializations added or discontinued:

Although no specializations or degrees were added or discontinued during the reporting period, the following comments are included for informational purposes. The PMB Department continues its development of distributed-learning (DL) versions of many of the core MPH courses with the hope of eventually offering a DL MPH degree. This probably will not be completed until AY 2011-12 at the earliest. In addition, PMB completed its development of a Masters of Healthcare Administration and Policy (MHAP) degree. This degree will not be part of our program's unit of accreditation with CEPH.

While students will take a few of the MPH courses, the vast majority of the curriculum hours for the MHAP degree will be taught by four new faculty members to be added to the Department by the US Navy for the purpose of supporting this new degree program. MPH students, however, will be eligible to take MHAP courses as elective courses.

Certificate-granting programs of study added or discontinued:

Significant curriculum changes:

Vacant leadership positions at the beginning of the academic year and current status of those positions:

At the start of the academic year (July 2009), there was a vacancy for the position of Director of the Division of Occupational and Environmental Health Sciences, due change in duty station of the Air Force physician who was previously serving as Director. The position was filled in the spring of 2010 by Col Nicholas Lezama MC USAF. He is also serving as the acting Director of the Division of Aerospace Medicine, whose Director retired from military service last year. The Department will be discussing the possibility of combining the two Divisions in faculty meetings early next year.

Recruitment of faculty at the beginning of the academic year and current status of those recruitment activities:

At the start of AY 2009-10, the PMB department was recruiting for three new faculty positions for the new Division of Global Health, and these three positions were filled during the academic year. In addition, two new faculty members (an epidemiologist and a biostatistician) were added during the year in the Infectious Disease Clinical Research Program (IDCRP). Due to faculty retirements, there were three vacancies (two parasitologists and one infectious disease physician) in the Division of Tropical Public Health. One of the parasitology positions has been filled and an offer of employment has been extended for the second position. Recruitment is continuing for the third position. Recruitment is also continuing for Assistant/Associate Professor position in the area of environmental and occupational health, and for an Assistant Professor in the area of health economics.

Admissions Information

Applicants: 76 Admitted: 41 Enrolled: 34 Enrolled FTE: 34.0

Annual Graduates:

Degree	Concentration	Length	Starting	Withdrawn	Continuing	Graduated	Graduation_Rate
MPH	Aerospace Physiology	2	0	0	0	0	
MPH	Environmental and Occupational Health	2	2	0	0	2	100.0
MPH	Health Services Administration	2	1	0	0	1	100.0
MPH	International Health	2	5	0	0	5	100.0
MPH	Generalist Public Health	2	26	0	0	26	100.0
MPH	Tropical Public Health	2	1	0	0	1	100.0
MPH	Epidemiology and Biostatistics	2	2	0	0	2	100.0
MTMH		2	1	0	0	1	100.0
MSPH	Environmental and Occupational Health	2	1	0	0	1	100.0
MSPH	Medical Zoology	2	1	1	0	0	0.0
DrPH		7	2	1	0	1	50.0
PhD	Environmental and Occupational Health	7	2	0	0	2	100.0
PhD	Medical Zoology	7	1	0	0	1	100.0

Annual Outcomes:

Degree	Concentration	Gov	% Nonp	% Health	% Priv	% Univ	% Pro	% Edu	% NonH	% No E
MPH	Aerospace Physiology									
MPH	Environmental and Occupational Health	2	100							
MPH	Health Services Administration	1	100							
MPH	International Health	5	100							
MPH	Generalist Public Health	22	85		1	4	2	8		1 4
MPH	Tropical Public Health	1	100							
MPH	Epidemiology and Biostatistics	1	50	1	50					
MTMH		1	100							
MSPH	Environmental and Occupational Health	1	100							
MSPH	Medical Zoology									
DrPH		2	100							
PhD	Rnvironmental and Occupational Health	2	100							
PhD	M<medical Zoology	1	100							

Faculty Data:

Faculty Specialization	Headcount	FTE
MPH – Aerospace Physiology	3	2.2
MPH – Environmental Occupational Health	4	3.5
MPH – Health Services Administration	4	3.6
MPH – International Health	5	4.2
MPH – Generalist Public Health	7	6.3
MPH – Tropical Public Health	4	3.5
MPH – Epidemiology and Biostatistics	7	5.7
DrPH	7	5.3
PhD/MSPH – Environmental and Occupational Health	6	5.4
PhD/MSPH – Medical Zoology	6	4.9
MTMH	6	5.6

Income

Tuition Fees:	\$0.00
State Appropriation	\$0.00
University Funds:	\$10,149,260.00
Grants Contracts:	\$16,884,112.00
Indirect Cost Recovery:	\$310,369.00
Endowment:	\$0.00
Gifts:	\$0.00

Other Income:
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Expenditures

Faculty Sal Benefits:	\$8,201,273.00
Staff Sal Benefits:	\$613,797.00
Operations:	\$1,334,190.00
Travel	\$0.00
Student Support:	\$0.00
University Tax:	\$0.00

Other Expenditures:
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Notes for Annual_Report: Travel expenditures are included in Operations.

Change Institutional Support:

Change Funds:

Change Extramural:

Change Facilities:

Change Faculty:

Change Staff:

Change Library:

Change Computer:

Change Labs:

Change Student Aid:

Change Placement Sites:

Change Travel Support:

Change Other: