

EPP 290

Topics in Public Health Seminar

Introduction and welcome

Welcome! The U.C. Davis Master in Public Health program was established to provide a professional degree program for persons interested in the practice of public health. The EPP 290 seminar series is a three-quarter series of seminars designed to provide insight into topical areas of public health. It is co-taught with faculty from the California Department of Health Services, so that participants learn from those actually involved in creating, implementing, and evaluating public health programs.

A major aim of the seminar is to be a forum for interaction among students and faculty. Thus, attendance is critical. As with all else in life, what you get out of it depends on what you put in to it. We are excited by the possibilities offered by the MPH program and this course and look forward to sharing this educational opportunity with you.

Course goals

1. Present a seminar addressing topical issues in public health.
2. Involve practicing public health experts from state and local health agencies and other agencies involved in public health in the presentation and discussion of topics.
3. Promote interaction and networking between and within the MPH student group and personnel from public health agencies.

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Course credit: 1 unit for each of three quarters. The course is part of the required core.

Day/time: Wednesdays—see quarterly schedule for times.

Location: TB-137. See quarterly schedule for changes.

Grading: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory, based on attendance and participation. No final examination. Because seminars depend on the engagement and participation of each student, attendance is critical. It is expected that students will attend all sessions. A Satisfactory grade requires at least 80% attendance. All absences must be arranged in advance with the instructor, although there is flexibility for unexpected emergencies where advance notice is not possible.

Readings: Students will be notified about reading and background material prior to the relevant sessions.