

Minutes
Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee
College of Public Health
Meeting of June 23, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rita DeBate, Stephanie Marhefka, Jim Mortimer, Ira Richards, Steve Mlynarek, Richard Nisbett, Wayne Westhoff, Alan Sear, Deanna Wathington, Marie Bourgeois

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM.

1. The minutes from the meeting of 1/27/09 were approved without change.
2. Candace Burns presented proposed revisions to the Occupational Health Nursing Dual Degree Program (MS/MPH). There were no changes to the College of Public Health component. There was an increase of eight credit hours, and course additions and modifications in the College of Nursing component. This was necessary to meet accreditation requirements. The revisions were approved without changes.
3. Patrick Whitney presented a proposed revision to the Occupational Medicine curriculum. Occupational Epidemiology (3 credit hours) replaced Biostatistics II (3 credit hours) as a required course. Biostatistics II will be an encouraged elective. This change was desired because the emphasis of the residents' research is epidemiological in nature. This revision was approved without changes.
4. Aurora Sanchez presented a new Dual Concentration in Epidemiology and Global Communicative Disease (Global Health Department). The core course requirements for both departments overlap, and students will meet the requirements of both programs to earn the dual degree. Total credit hours are 69 plus up to 3 hours of field experience. This was approved with no changes.
5. Jim Mortimer presented the Epidemiology and the Biostatistics guidelines for a manuscript dissertation. These were based on the CFH guidelines for a manuscript dissertation approved at the last APCC meeting. This format has been used by the College since approximately 1994. There was some discussion of how copyright issues may affect submittal of the dissertation to the University. The committee voted to approve the documents as submitted.
6. Steve Mlynarek reported that two nonsubstantive changes had been approved: a change to the Certificate Program in Epidemiology, and a change to the Certificate Program in Biostatistics.
7. Steve Mlynarek reported that a student committee member (Scott Barrish) had resigned and asked the committee to propose another student for membership; he also reported that APCC elections would be a topic at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM.