



SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY  
School of Public Health

# 40th Anniversary

1981-2021

CELEBRATING OUR LEGACY!

1976

Plan for the establishment of SDSU Graduate School of Public Health



Dr. James W. Cobble  
Dean of Graduate Division of SDSU

1979

Hiring of Douglas Scutchfield, M.D., first GSPH Director, and Muriel Kulikowski, administrative assistant and 'founding mother'



1980/81

Original five GSPH graduate divisions, headed by

Stephen J. Williams

*Health Services Administration*

Helen Wallace

*Maternal & Child Health*

Tee L. Guidotti

*Occupational & Environmental Health*

Anita Bahn

*Epidemiology*

Melbourne F. Hovell

*Health Promotion*



GSPH receives national accreditation from the Council on Education for Public Health

1985

1986

GSPH moves into its current home in Hardy Memorial Tower



Dual Master of Social Work and Master of Public Health program

1988

SDSU/UCSD Joint Doctoral Program in Epidemiology

1990



Bachelor of Science in Health Science moves under the GSPH

1992

- 1995 - Acting Director, Stephen Bender, HSD
- 1996 - Acting Director, John Elder, PhD, MPH

SDSU/UCSD Joint Doctoral Program in Health Behavior

2004

1998

Director, Kenneth Bart, MD, MPH



Interim Director, Ann de Peyster, PhD - 2004

2005

Master of Public Health in Biometry

Dual Master of Arts in Latin American Studies and Master of Public Health program

2006

2007

SDSU/UCSD Joint Doctoral Program in Global Health

2007

Director, Carleen H. Stoskopf, ScD, MS



2014 - Interim Director, Richard Gersberg, PhD, MS

2016

Director, Hala Madanat, PhD



2020

SDSU SPH ranked a top US News Best Public Health School

2017

First fully online MPH program in HPBS

2020 - Interim Director, Eyal Oren, PhD, MS