## **PhD Program** Educational Objectives Fall 2012 and Spring 2013

## **PhD Degree Overall Educational Objectives**

- 1. Describe the distribution and determinants of health and disease in populations, and the factors that influence these distributions.
- 2. Describe major national and international health concerns, their established risk factors and other contributing factors for these problems.
- 3. Identify the ethical issues involved with studies of human populations.
- 4. Develop a systemic approach for planning, collecting, processing and analysis of information and data in research and practice settings.
- 5. Identify and apply appropriate analytic and statistical methods to data generated from a wide variety of public health research.
- 6. Translate public health research findings into recommendations for specific interventions, health policies, or further investigative research.
- 7. Communicate scientific findings clearly and concisely to other health professionals, both orally and in writing, as well as to the media and broader community.
- 8. Develop and write fundable research proposals and critique those of other investigators.
- 9. Demonstrate the ability to plan and successfully complete independent research addressing a public health problem.

## PhD in Global Health Objectives, Required Course Learning Objectives, Outcome Measures, Expected Outcomes and Actual Outcomes Fall 2012 and Spring 2013

## PhD in Global Health Educational Objectives

- 1. Analyze contemporary global health issues using quantitative and qualitative analysis, behavioral science, Geographic Information Systems (GIS) tools, evaluation technology, and other public health skills in order to describe and address a variety of global health challenges.
- 2. Work within the political economy of existing global health programs, and organizations, using a broad understanding of historical perspectives, cultural contexts, health systems, environmental concerns, and global health governance instruments.
- 3. Apply skill to identify, study, prevent, and respond to emerging, and persistent infectious disease threats of global importance.
- 4. Apply skills to identify, study, prevent, and respond to the growing epidemics of non-communicable diseases, including, among others, cardiovascular disease, cancers, injuries, and mental health problems.
- 5. Apply skills to identify, study, and respond to health services and health policy issues (e.g., access to care, disparities, financing, health technologies, quality issues) affecting global populations.

- 6. Recognize, understand, and explain unique U.S./Mexico regional, bi-national governance structures, and other unique issues other unique issues and border health issues including the intersection of health and culture, which arise in regions with substantial population migration.
- 7. Write or contribute to the writing of research or program proposals, scientific reports, and evaluations, and be able to evaluate the writings of other health professionals
- 8. Design, conduct, and evaluate global health and health services research projects that demonstrate cultural understanding, adherence to bioethical principles, and recognition of the global cooperation necessary for the success of such programs.
- 9. Assume management and other leadership roles in global health research and practice using skills in human resource management, budgeting, report writing, and public speaking.