

Educational Objectives, Fall 2013

Educational Objectives for all MPH students
1. To provide students with core knowledge and competencies in the five areas of public health: epidemiology, statistics, environmental health, health services administration, and the behavioral and social sciences. (ASPH MPH competencies)
2. To provide students with an opportunity to integrate and apply skills they have mastered in their curriculum in a public health setting.
3. To provide students with a culminating experience where they demonstrate their mastery of Public Health content and discipline specific content.
4. To provide students with multiple opportunities to develop writing and speaking skills, presentation skills, and teamwork skills.
5. To provide students with the experience to review science-based literature, synthesize its content, and apply evidence-based practices in the community.
6. To prepare students to enter the Public Health workforce and assume positions of leadership through progressive career development and demonstrate Public Health professionalism.
7. Each student will pursue one of the five core areas of Public Health in-depth completing the required credits for an MPH degree as outlined for each of the five disciplines.

Health Management and Policy (Health Services Administration) Objectives, Fall 2013

Health Management and Policy Educational Objectives
1. Discuss health care organizations and their relationship to access, quality, cost, accountability, and the health of patients and the community
2. Identify revenue sources and reimbursement methods in the U.S. health care system, including historical origins and current policy, and their impact on health service delivery.
3. Apply a systems thinking approach to identify problems and evaluate alternative solutions for improving organizational performance.
4. Translate health data into relevant information for appropriate audiences using statistical software for data management, analysis, and reporting results to inform the strategic direction of different health care organizations.
5. Evaluate changes in health policy and the healthcare environment to assess their potential impacts on organizational performance and population health.
6. Understand how health care organizations are structured, and how their different components (such as human resources, governance, information systems, and patient care) interact and
7. Use strategic and business planning principles to develop and align the mission, vision, goals, and objectives for operating a health care organization.
8. Identify critical legal and ethical issues related to the delivery of health services, and understand their application to organizational decision making and development of health
9. Discuss managerial roles in planning, adopting, implementing, and evaluating different strategies to improve the performance of health care organizations.
10. Identify and use appropriate oral and written communication strategies for different audiences.

11. Demonstrate leadership skills and ability to work effectively on a team to complete projects and improve organizational performance.

12. Engage in professional career development and networking activities and abide by professional ethical standards to promote career advancement.

