

Date: Wed, 7/10/24

To: SPH Faculty & Staff

Subject: Instructor Needed for SPH 480: Research Methods in Public Health in AY 24-25

Message:

Dear colleagues,

The Public Health-Global Health Major is recruiting an instructor for SPH 480: Research Methods in Public Health in **WIN 2025 and SPR 2025**. The position supports up to 25% FTE. The new hire will co-teach with Kate West, Assistant Teaching Professor, HSPop, and Kristen Danforth, Lecturer, DGH as part of a highly-competent instructional team who have taught the course for the last few years. The position listing can be found here:

<https://sph.washington.edu/careers/job/20608>.

The Public Health-Global Health Major posts teaching openings across the School, as it is a school-wide program. Competitive candidates are expected to have the following: background in public health, epidemiology, or related field; domestic or international research experience; fluency in research and evaluation methods; knowledgeable about qualitative methods and implementation science; experience teaching undergraduate students; evidence for commitment to supporting, teaching, and mentoring diverse students and first-generation college students; and evidence for strong interpersonal communication skills and a willingness to learn how to teach from an anti-oppression lens. I have included more details below.

I would appreciate it if you could post within your departments and programs as per your protocols when new teaching opportunities arise. If you have specific people you think would be a good fit, please encourage them to contact me at bbaquero@uw.edu.

Best,
Barbara

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Inquiries and Applications

Please submit an application, a letter addressing your interest and experience alignment, and a CV via the [SPH 480 Application Google Form](#) by **Wednesday, July 24, 2024**. **Note that you must be signed into a Google account (UW or preferred Gmail account) in order to submit this application.** If you're having problems, please contact joehk@uw.edu.

About the Major

The Public Health-Global Health Major is a School-wide, interdisciplinary liberal education program with approximately 600 students who have a variety of academic and professional goals.

About SPH 480

Research Methods in Public Health is the third course in the [Integrated Core Sequence](#) required of all majors. The course covers quantitative and qualitative study design and provides an introduction to implementation science.

Additional PH-GH Major Instructor Responsibilities

In addition to teaching, instructors in the Public Health-Global Health Major are expected to hold office hours and make themselves available to meet with students as needed; convey student issues to program staff for problem-solving and program improvement; course and program assessment; attend PH-GH Major instructor meetings; contribute to the mission of the PH-GH Major through opportunities such as admissions, honors, strategic planning, policy development, SPH Undergraduate Symposium, among others.

Qualifications

Candidates are expected to possess the following:

- An advanced degree in public health, epidemiology or a related field;
- Domestic or international research experience;
- Fluent in research and evaluation methods;
- Knowledgeable in qualitative methods and implementation science;
- Evidence of teaching, or commitment to grow professionally as an instructor;
- Strong interpersonal skills;
- Experience with and enthusiasm for undergraduate education and education pedagogy;
- Familiarity with and commitment to the mission and values of public health and global health; and
- Understanding of and commitment to supporting the needs of underrepresented and first-generation college students.
- Interest and available to co-teach the course

Course Learning Objectives:

After completing SPH 480, students will be able to:

- Apply the scientific method and critical thinking skills to complex public health questions
- Use evidence-based decision making and critical thinking skills to examine public health problems and potential solutions

- Identify appropriate qualitative and quantitative methods to answer public health research and evaluation questions
- Compare and contrast various methods and tools to assess the health of populations
- Discuss the strengths and weaknesses of different study designs used in both discovery and implementation research and evaluation
- Critically evaluate the public health scientific literature
- Communicate scientific arguments
- Understand the regulatory framework governing research with human subjects
- Demonstrate proficiency in transferrable basic research skills

Diversity at the UW

The UW School of Public Health is committed to a diverse academic community. We view diversity as essential to our mission, you can learn more [here](#). The University of Washington faculty engage in teaching, research, and service. The University of Washington is an affirmative action and equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, protected veteran or disabled status, or genetic information.