

MEZCOPH Education Committee Meeting
“Final Meeting Minutes”

April 1, 2020

2:00 – 3:00 pm, Zoom: <https://uahs.zoom.us/j/215120653>

Program Directors / Voting Members Present: Edward Bedrick, Scott Carvajal, Gabriela Coronel, John Ehiri (ex-officio), Kacey Ernst, Joe Gerald, Eduardo González Fagoaga, Magdiel Habila, Aminata Kilungu, Velia Leybas Nuño, Chris Tisch, Amanda Wilson, Kimberly York

Program Directors / Voting Members Absent: Brianna Rooney, Paloma Soto

Other Members Present: Kimberly Barnes, Danielle Embry, Melanie Fleck, Anais Garcia, Laura Gronewold, Elsa Loya, Tanya Nemec, Gisela Ochoa, Adaeze Oguegbu, Samantha Pierce, Michael Tearne

• **Announcements:**

• Coronavirus Updates (Ehiri)

John set up a D2L course site as a central hub to share education related announcements during the Coronavirus outbreak. He has been working with individual faculty as questions arise about online instruction. The college will support internet upgrades for faculty if needed.

Chris Tisch announced that OSSAA staff have been reaching out to students in multiple ways to see if they need help or resources. An emergency student fund has been initiated through the Dean of Students office.

Departments are also checking in with students and offering support in multiple ways, via surveys and online meetings. If a need is identified and not easily resolved, John encouraged faculty to email the COVID Task Force for assistance.

• CEPH Updates (Ehiri)

John announced that he, Doug Taren and Dean Hakim, are working with CEPH on the seven partially met criteria. We need to address curricular overlaps between most of our masters and doctoral programs as well as assessment methods in 580. We may receive our final report before July due to site visit cancellations during the COVID-19 outbreak. John will share the report with faculty and ask for more information at that time.

• Summer Internship Plan (Ehiri & Tisch)

Due to COVID-19, summer internships starting before July 1st must be conducted remotely. This date may be extended. Students are seeking projects that can be done fully online but there are alternatives if none are available. Faculty with remote projects are encouraged to contact Chris Tisch and OSSAA staff. *

Undergrad students who are unable to identify a fully online internship may complete career development modules in summer 1 and/or summer 2 to complete part, or all, of their internship credits. Students who can delay their internship are encouraged to do so. Information will be shared with faculty once finalized. *

Campus-based MPH students will complete the same online workshop that is typically required. Tanya Nemec and Kim Barnes are communicating with preceptors to identify fully online internships. The due dates for projects has been extended by two weeks.

Online MPH students are asked to complete an online internship. If they are unable to find an internship, they may complete an alternative assignment. Adaeze Oguegbu is developing a new internship course as an alternative for students as well.

- **Consent Agenda:** (*All voting members*)

- Minutes Approval: March 4, 2020 meeting



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A motion was made and seconded to approve the March 4, 2020 minutes.
The motion was approved by a vote of: 10-0

- **Old Business:**

- Health Science IPEs – direct vs. non-direct observation experiences (*Nemec, Ehiri, Pogreba-Brown, Pierce, Barnes*)

The MPH coordinators, Dr. Ehiri and Kristen Pogreba-Brown met to discuss IPE assessment. In an effort to simplify the process for students and faculty, they decided to remove the direct observation requirement and add a more rigorous self-reflection component for Main and Phoenix campus students. The online form will stay mostly the same with a few additional questions for students to complete. If the student participates in a UAHS event, they will still be required to attach a certificate of completion to their submission.

The MPH Coordinators are finalizing the new policy and will be communicating changes to students and faculty soon. *

- **Other Business and Reminders:**

- Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award: Deadline April 7th (*Ehiri*)
John reminded faculty that we are still accepting nominations for the Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award. We have not received any nominations yet and may extend the deadline.
- Graduate Preceptorship Courses: 591, 691, 791 (*Embry*)
Danielle asked if any additional departments want to set up graduate preceptorship sections in summer or fall. HPS and PHP are still discussing with department faculty and will let Danielle know. * Chris Tisch reminded everyone there is a form, describing activities and expectations of the preceptorship, that must be filled out before students can register.
- Summer/Fall 2020 Registration begins April 6th (*Embry*)
Students will begin registering for summer/fall 2020 on Monday, April 6th. Danielle asked Program Directors to check the schedule and notify her of any changes as soon as possible. John also reminded faculty to review the schedule and identify sections that are missing instructors so there is time to identify an instructor and provide training they may need. *

Next Scheduled Meeting: Date: May 6, 2020 - 2:00 – 3:00 pm, Zoom

***Action Items:**

- (carried over from March) Chris Tisch will discuss policies regarding online MPH course availability with John Ehiri and report back to Education Committee in May. (*Tisch, Ehiri*)
- Program Directors will discuss graduate-level preceptorships with department faculty and, if interested, initiate activation of 591, 691, and/or 791 sections with Danielle. (*Leybas Nuño, Carvajal, González-Fagoaga*)
- Faculty who have remote internship opportunities this summer are encouraged to contact Chris Tisch and OSSAA staff to connect with students. (*All Program Directors*)
- Laura Gronewold will share undergraduate internship plan with MEZCOPH faculty. (*Gronewold*)
- MPH Coordinators will finalize new IPE assessment policies and share with students, faculty, and Education Committee members. (*Nemec, Barnes, Pierce, Ehiri*)
- Program Directors check summer/fall 2020 schedule on the Hub - <https://hub.coph.arizona.edu/employees/faculty/schedule-classes> – and send changes/updates to Danielle as soon as possible. In addition, look for sections that are missing instructors and work to identify people who can teach them. (*All Program Directors*)