

Master of Arts in Transformational Urban Leadership

The aim of the MA in Transformational Urban Leadership is to increase the capacity of emergent leaders among the urban poor, with wisdom, knowledge, character and skill across the full range of leadership dynamics of urban poor movements.



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TUL650: *Primary Health Care (3 units)*Exploring public health issues in urban slums Fall 2012

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I. Course Description

This course is an exploration of the public health challenges facing the Church and local NGOs within slum communities, along with innovative, community-based responses. Topics addressed include environmental health, maternal and child health, and chronic health conditions (among others) prevalent in slums. Students serve as mentored interns with a health organization in the community where they live or work.

| Expanded Course Description

In major urban centers across the globe, slums are evolving from informal squatter communities consisting mostly of wooden shacks and gravel streets to communities where concrete and brick houses are being built, streets are paved, water lines laid, and metered electricity installed. Much of this infrastructural work is being carried out through concerned individuals organized through various types of community associations and other organizations, including churches.

But of all the basic human services increasingly available to slum dwellers, perhaps the most challenging is that of health service. By definition, health service requires persons with specialized skills and an infrastructure that delivers specialized care (i.e. preventative health education, diagnostic and laboratory services, hospitalization and medication). Few, if any, of these services can be provided or created solely by the slum dwellers themselves. Consequently, they depend upon volunteer groups, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), and fee-for-service private clinics and pharmacies (usually run by unlicensed or poorly trained professionals or even nonprofessionals).

The majority of these service providers exist in the formal sector *outside* the slum, which is why so little is known of the magnitude and distribution of health problems among the world's slum-dwellers. What *is* known is that slums and shantytowns comprise a social cluster that engenders a distinct set of health challenges that are impacted by the environmental, socio-political and cultural context. Also, chronic non-communicable (i.e. hypertension, diabetes, obesity or malnutrition, depression) and communicable diseases (tuberculosis, HIV, and cholera among other infections) are widespread. Formal health practitioners know this reality because they see, and must manage, the *complications* of these problems when they manifest as stroke, congestive heart failure, kidney failure, suicide, multi-drug resistant tuberculosis and AIDS.

This course addresses what many experts predict will be a certain and unprecedented *epidemic* of chronic communicable and non-communicable diseases on the rise among burgeoning slum populations worldwide. Advances in science and technology are securing better health and longer lives for a small, elite fraction of the world's population. Meanwhile slum children die of diarrhea for want of clean water, adult slum dwellers die of AIDS for want of affordable medicines and all are cut off from the political, cultural and economic resources that could help them to create their own health and well-being.

III Course Rationale

"For I will restore you to health, and I will heal you of your wounds, declares the Lord, because they have called you an outcast, saying: It is Zion, no one cares for her." Jeremiah 30:17

In God's proclamation to Jeremiah, physical healing accompanied the promise of freedom from captivity and of spiritual reconnection. Jesus enacts this promise by repeatedly healing the sick and approaching the ill outcasts of society, even on the Sabbath. It is clear that God recognizes the importance of a ministry that holistically addresses health issues of marginalized people as part of a restorative mission. This course is built on the underlying premise of a God of creation who wishes holism for all- spiritual, physical and social.

The goals of *Primary Health Care* (PHC) are: (1) to comprehend slum health problems in their economic, environmental, social and political context, (2) to consider the catalytic role of churches and local

organizations implementing effective and innovative PHC programs, and (3) To associate public health with the holistic message of salvation of all beings and creation.

The course includes (a) weekly student and faculty interaction through online forums and Skype calls, introducing key ideas and frameworks for exploring primary health care in urban slums (30-40 hours), accompanied by (b) self-directed project work—reading, observation, interviewing, research, etc. (60-80 hours)—that is completed in conjunction with (c) practical training within a community health organization (50 hours). Course requirements total 160 hours of "invested learning."

The course is organized around four projects that build upon each other in addition to online discussion*, linked to Student Learning Outcomes (SLO) below:

Online Discussion with weekly participation through group calls and forum threaded discussions, providing time for content review, experiential exchange and reflection. Students are expected to prepare for discussions and in some instances present course content to the cohort. (SLO: 1.1, 2.1)

- 1. <u>Internship</u> with a community-based health organization providing primary health care services to slum populations, with weekly guidance and evaluations provided by a supervisor. This experience informs the student's health topic focus of the course and final projects. (SLO: 1.1, 3.1)
- Community Health Ecology Project that includes windshield/sunglasses survey and asset mapping
 of the relationships between environmental, social and political determinants of health in the local
 slum context (Note: in some locations a similar project organized through a local health course will
 substitute for this project, to be determined by APU faculty). (SLO: 1.1, 1.2)
- 3. <u>Data Collection & Analysis</u> involves collecting primary (interviews) and secondary (national health statistics and database research) data and using mixed methods research for critical analysis of the data on a specific health issue for a target population as agreed upon through the internship. (SLO: 1.3, 3.1, 3.2)
- 4. <u>Community Health Project & Presentation</u> that compiles and builds upon the previous three projects, and the work is appropriately presented to the internship organization. (SLO: 1.3, 3.1)

*Note: See Expanded Project Description & Discussion Topics documents for full guidance on project development and expectations.

IV. Student Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course students will fulfill the following outcomes:

1. Cognitive (HEAD):

- 1.1 Identify major health issues among the urban poor.
- 1.2 Articulate the impact of multi-dimensional factors (social, political, spiritual/religious, environmental, etc.) on health.
- 1.3 Critically analyze and discuss one health issue experienced by residents in the student's host (slum) community.

2. Affective (HEART):

2.1 Embrace the role of health promotion and justice for one's faith and in the life of Christian communities.

3. Practice (HANDS):

- 3.1 Apply theoretical knowledge to experiences with the internship in order to understand the challenges and innovations of health care delivery in slum communities.
- 3.2 Conduct qualitative research and gather secondary data to triangulate findings for a health topic.

V. Required & Recommended Course Materials

The materials appearing below for purchase and in the Course Bibliography represent some of the best sources addressing primary health care and public health within urban and resource-poor communities. Students are also encouraged to seek out and utilize at least five local/regional reference materials in order to optimize the cultural relevance of the learning experience. Please note that while only one text is required for purchase (and others recommended) to reduce your costs, the majority of required reading will be available for download on the course website and through online web pages.

Please see Course Bibliography (Section VIII) for complete list of required reading, more reference material and online resources. **Required Materials marked with an asterix**. Others recommended.

- *Farmer, Paul. 2003. Pathologies of Power: Health, Human Rights and the New War on the Poor. California Series in Public Anthropology, Berkeley, CA. (Amazon: \$17, Kindle: \$15)
 - Note: *any* book by Paul Farmer that you can get your hands on is well worth the read, such as *Infections and Inequalities* (2001), *Partner to the Poor* (2010) and his award-winning biography *Mountains Beyond Mountains* (2009, new edition, Tracy Kidder).
- *Minkler, Meredith. 2008. Community Organizing and Community Building for Health, 2nd edition. Rutgers University Press, New Brunswick, NJ. (Amazon: \$26, Kindle: \$16)
- Evans, Abigail Rian. 1999. *The Healing Church: Practical Programs for Health Ministries*. United Church Press, Cleveland, Ohio. (Amazon \$15, No Kindle Edition)
- Khan, O.A. & Pappas, G. 2011. *Megacities & Global Health*. American Public Health Association, Washington, DC. (Amazon Used: \$40, No Kindle Edition)
- Werner, D. and Bower, B. 2012. Helping Health Workers Learn. Hesperian Health Guides, Berkeley, CA. (Access entire text at http://hesperian.org/books-and-resources/ or purchase hard copy for \$20)

Note: *any* Hesperian Health Guide is extremely practical and helpful and all have been recently updated in 2012, such as the world renowned *Where There is No Doctor*, the companion *Where Women Have No Doctor*, and *A Community Guide to Environmental Health*.

VI. Course Calendar

The course is designed around your experiences of working with a mentor/supervisor in a community-based health organization among the urban poor and reflecting on the lessons learned.

The instructed learning component of the course will utilize weekly online discussions, including the APU Sakai forum threaded discussions (approximately 1 hour/week) and group Skype calls/discussions (1.5 hours/week). The online discussions will be guided by the instructor, including introductions of new health topics and concepts, processing of internship experiences, faith & health reflections and exchange between the cohort on local health issues and solutions. The course will focus on both an overview of urban health issues and important public health concepts as well as the participatory research each student has focused on a critical health topic in his/her slum community. Most of the course is dependent on the student taking responsibility to do independent reflection, research and writing, utilizing both experience and local/global health literature in order to accomplish the course learning outcomes.

The course is scheduled around the online discussions and four major projects. (See extended Project Descriptions and Discussion Topics documents for explanation of each assignment in detail). The course schedule, topics, evaluation and assignments may be altered at the instructor's discretion.

Course Schedule	Course Content	Readings & Assignments (completed before Skype discussion, unless noted otherwise)		
	TUL650: Primary Health Care in Urban Slums			
Week 1 [Sept 3-9]	Introduction to Urban Health Course introduction and overview Definitions of health Impacts of global/urban-ization Review of relevant course terminology Health actors/systems in urban areas	Reading: Text: Farmer (2003): Chapter 9 Online: See Course Bibliography Sakai: Welcome Letter, Syllabus, Project Descriptions, Discussion Topics docs, Rossi and Green Glossaries, Khan (2011): Chapter 12		
		Assignments: Identify and visit potential internship sites and review, order/download course material. Forum Threaded Discussion (FTD) on Sakai: Personal Health Reflections, post by Sept 6th Skype Discussion: (Thursday, Sept 6th 9-10:30pm PST) Course Introduction		
Week 2 [Sept 10-16]	Social (Economic and Political) Determinants of Health (SDH) Review of SDH and other public health frameworks (lifespan, ecological approach, health belief model) & discussions of health disparity (student 5-10 minute presentations on topics below): • Racism/discrimination • Violence • Local governance/participation • Access to Medicine	Reading: Text: Farmer (2003): Chapters 1 & 6, Minkler (2008): Chapters 8 & 9 Online: See Course Bibliography Sakai: n/a Assignments: Learning Agreements/Contract (for Project #1), due Sept 16 th FTD on Sakai: Respond (at least once) to the prior week's forum posts by Sept 16 th .		

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	Gender Equity, etc.	Clare Discussion (Thurs Cost 40th Orac DOT)
	Active Observation/Context Research	Skype Discussion: (Thurs, Sept 13 th 9pm PST), SDH and Health Ecology Project (Project #2)
	"Windshield" (Sunglasses) Survey Accept Contact Magning	
10' 10	Asset/Context Mapping	D #
Week 3	Environmental Health	Reading:
[Sept 17-23]	Review of environmental health issues and	Text: n/a
	risks in cities (student 5-10 minute	Online: See Course Bibliography Sakai: n/a
	presentations on topics below):	Sakai. 11/a
	Population density & built environment	Assignments:
	Water (access & quality)	Project #2 due Friday Sept 22 nd : Health Ecology
	Sanitation & Waste	Project- 4-5 page description of the community
	Air/Pollution Tayling (Ag/Industrial)	context and health determinants of internship
	Toxins (Ag/Industrial) Disectors/Climate Change	setting, including observational research.
	Disasters/Climate Change	5, 111 5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
		FTD on Sakai: Reflect on "Sunglasses" Survey and
		Asset Mapping, post by Sept 20th
		Skype Discussion: (Thurs, Sept 20th 9pm PST),
		Environmental Health and Identifying Health Issue
Week 4	Infectious Disease	Reading:
[Sept 24-	Review of common infections and	Text: Farmer (2003): Chapter 7
30]	communicable disease (CD) in urban slums	Online: See Course Bibliography
	and the basics of transmission and	Sakai: Rossi (1999): Chapter 4
	epidemiology (student 5-10 minute	Assignments:
	presentations on topics below):	Assignments: Identify health issue & target population with
	HIV/AIDS (including REAP	internship supervisor
	programming overview)	interneting outpointeer
	• TB, Malaria,	FTD on Sakai: Respond (at least once) to the prior
	Cholera,Immunization campaigns (Diptheria,	week's forum posts by Sept 30 th .
	Typhoid, Hepatitis, etc.)	
	i ypiioia, riopanno, oto.	Skype Discussion: (Thurs, Sept 27th 9pm PST),
	Identifying a health issue & target population	Infectious Disease and Project #3a
	(with internship)	
	Gathering Secondary Data- Describe	
	the health topic, determine magnitude,	
	determinants and describe the	
	population/context	
Week 5	Chronic & Non-communicable Disease	Reading:
[Oct 1-7]	Review of common CNCD in urban slums	Text: n/a
	(student 5-10 minute presentations on topics	Online: See Course Bibliography
	below):	Sakai: n/a
	• Diabetes,	
	• Cancer,	Assignments:
	Substance abuse,	Project 3a due Friday Oct 5th: Secondary Data
	Heart Disease and Hypertension,	Collection- 2-3 page report on the health topic from
1	Mental Health/Stress Disorders	secondary data and online research

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		FTD on Sakai: Identify and explain chosen health issue & target population for CHP, post by Oct 4 th
		Skype Discussion: (Thursday Oct 4th 9pm PST), CNCD
Week 6 [Oct 8-14]	Maternal & Child Health (MCH)- Including Household Food Security	Reading: Text: Minkler (2008): Appendix 1
	Review of common MCH issues in urban slums, including impacts of household-level	Online: See Course Bibliography Sakai: Judd (1991): Ch. 11
	food insecurity and malnutrition (student 5-10 minute presentations on topics below): • Women's reproductive health and family planning	Assignments: Identify interview participants (with internship) – be prepared to share during Skype discussion
	 Mother & infant mortality Childhood illness- diarrhoeal, pneumonia, etc. 	FTD on Sakai: Respond (at least once) to the prior week's forum posts by Oct 14th.
	 Household-level nutrition (quantity, quality & variety of nutrient deficits) 	Skype Discussion: (Thursday Oct 11 th 9pm PST), MCH and Food Security/ Nutrition and Project #3b
	Primary Research Toolkit: How to conduct Key Informant Interviews (KII), Focus Groups (FGs) and Individual Case Studies/Health Histories	
Week 7 [Oct 15-21]	The Interviews: Capacity Assessment & Case Studies-	Reading: n/a
	 NGOs/Churches Health Provider & Traditional Healer Government/MoH Community leader Community member first-hand 	Assignments: Finish conducting interviews and expanding notes/narratives during this week; Remind internship supervisor of required mid-term Performance Evaluation, due Oct 28th
	experience with the health topic	FTD on Sakai: Summarize one interview or health history narrative and share, post by Oct 18 th
		Skype Discussion: (Thursday Oct 18 th 9pm PST), Guest Speaker
Week 8 [Oct 22- 28]	Mixed Methods- Triangulation	Reading: Text: n/a
	Why mixed methods for urban health research? • The "gold standard" in health research and the limitations	Online: See Course Bibliography Sakai: Barg (2005, in Handbook): Ch. 13, Green (2005): Ch. 2, Judd (1991): Ch. 13
	 Identifying the components of your "triangle" diagram 	Assignments: Project 3b due Friday Oct 26th: Primary Data Collection- 5-6 page description of local capacity
	"Urban health research requires a combination of epidemiologic observations,	and case studies (interviews)
	ecological characterization, and a description of the lived experience of individuals living in	FTD on Sakai: Respond (at least once) to the prior week's forum posts by Oct 28th.

	a given environment." (p 254) Handbook of Urban Health	Skype Discussion: (Thursday Oct 25 th 9pm PST), Mixed Methods Critical Analysis and 'Discussion' of CHP (Project #4a)
Week 9 [Oct 29-Nov 4]	Critical Analysis and Discussion of Best Practice Case Studies Review- What are people doing to address the issue? • Summarize community-based interventions, the challenges, successes and lessons learned • Review types of interventions (Prevention, Education, Access, Behavior, Advocacy) • Example of SWOT analysis • "Ten Commandments of Community- based Research"	Reading: Text: Farmer (2003): Chapters 1 & 6, Minkler (2008): Appendix 4 & 11 Online: See Course Bibliography Sakai: Lawrence (2005): Ch. 24 *Students will research local case studies of best practice on the health issue. Assignments: (To be completed and compiled with final CHP, Project #4): 3-4 page discussion of triangulation findings and summary of three community-based "best practice" approaches to address the health topic- describe the lessons learned using different interventions and applicability to your context FTD on Sakai: Summarize and justify at least one of the best practices to address the health issue in your context, post by Nov 1st
		Skype Discussion: (Thursday Nov 1st 9pm PST), Guest Speaker
Week 10 [Nov 5-11]	Accountable Research: Preparing for Community Reportback Discussion on concepts of accountability and empowerment in sharing data.	Reading: Text: n/a Online: See Course Bibliography Sakai: LeCompte (2010): Ch. 9
	Planning for student presentations or 'reportbacks' of CHP to internships and/or	Assignments: This week is used to prepare reportback of CHP
	stakeholders Interpretation and application of the research (policy-making, program	FTD on Sakai: Respond (at least once) to the prior week's forum posts by Nov 11 th .
	planning, public awareness, etc.)What product will be "handed over" to be of most use to the org?	Skype Discussion: (Thursday Nov 8 th 9pm PST), Accountable Research and Project #4b
Week 11 [Nov 12-18]	Community Reportbacks in progress Presentation of Projects/Findings to Cohort	Reading: n/a
		Assignments: Reportbacks in progress Assigned students are prepared to give 10-minute presentation of CHP to the cohort.
		FTD on Sakai: Reflect on how your community reportback went(!), what would you do the same or differently next time, post and respond (at least

		ance) by New 25th
		once) by Nov 25 th
		Skype Discussion: (Thursday Nov 15th 9pm PST), Student presentations of CHP, Explain finalization of CHP (Project #4)
Week 12	Finalize Presentations/ Break	Reading:
[Nov 19-25]		n/a
		Assignments: Finalizing presentations, if needed, revising previous projects for compilation of CHP
		FTD on Sakai: same as above
		Skype Discussion: break
Week 13 [Nov 26- Dec 2]	Presentation of Projects/Findings to Cohort- continued	Reading: n/a
Dec 2]		Assignments: Assigned students are prepared to give 10-minute presentation of CHP to the cohort.
		FTD on Sakai: break
		Skype Discussion: (Thursday Nov 29 th 9pm PST), Student presentations of CHP, Share progress on finalization of CHPs (Project #4)
Week 14	Theology of Health	Reading:
[Dec 3-9]		Text: Farmer (2003): Chapters 3 & 5
	Review church-based models for primary	Online: See Course Bibliography (TBD)
	health care in urban slums as well as the	Sakai: Evans (1999): Chapter 1 +
	Farmer model of non-church but faith-based	Assignments: Be prepared to share and discuss the
	care: • Cell groups [Guest speaker]	required reading above for the Skype discussion
	Farmer's theology summarized as	Toquirou roduling above for the oxype discussion
	"Preferential Option for the Poor"	FTD on Sakai: Share about how your personal
	Secular "Kingdom" work for health	perspective on faith & health has developed during
	(Zapatistas, PIH, NMD/Samaritans, CCDA in	this course, post by Dec 6th
	the US)	Clare Discussion (Thursday Des Ch Own DOT)
		Skype Discussion: (Thursday Dec 6 th 9pm PST), Guest Speaker and discussion of Health Theology
Week 15	Final Projects Due	Reading:
[Dec 10-16]	Timari Tojooto Dao	n/a
		Assignments: Final Community Health Projects #4
		(20-22 pgs), Signed Service Log, Self-Assessment
		and Intern Evaluation of the Agency, and Final Performance Evaluation documents all due Dec 16 th
		FTD on Sakai: Respond (at least once) to the prior week's forum posts by Dec 16th.

	Skype Discussion: n/a, individual email and Skype
	interaction as needed

V. Evaluation & Assessment

Assessment Task	Max. Points	Weighting
Weekly Online Discussions (30-40 hours) Forum Threaded Discussions (10.5 points total): Seven FTDs at 1.5 pts each topic (1 pt for original post + 0.5 pt for response) based on 4-item scale of quantity, timeliness and quality of posts Group Skype Calls (4.5 points total)- 1.5 pt each of three student-led	15 (+2.5 EC)	15%
presentations (Faith & Health Reflection x1 and Health Topic Briefs x2) based on 4-item rubric. Additional 0.25 pt of Extra Credit for 'presence & participation' on each call with no scheduled presentation (10 calls= 2.5 possible EC pts).	•	
Project #1: Health Organization Internship (10 hours to coordinate internship/meet with supervisor and 40 hours of voluntary service) Evaluative criteria: Completeness of forms and timeliness of submission: *Contract/learning agreement- 5 pts *Signed service log- 5 pts *Self-assessment- 3 pts *Performance assessment by supervisor (mid-term and final)- 10 pts (5/ea) *Intern evaluation of agency- 2 pts	25	25
Project #2: Community Health Ecology Project (15 hours) This project includes 4-5 page written report, 2 hours of active observation research (Sunglasses Survey/Asset Mapping), and 8 hours of project-specific reading. Evaluative criteria: timeliness, completeness, depth of analysis, writing quality	10	10
Project #3: Data Collection & Analysis (25 hours) Project 3a: Secondary Data- This assignment requires a 2-3 page report from 4 hours of online research and 4 hours of reading- 10 pts Project 3b: Primary Data- This assignment requires a 5 page report from 5 hours of interviews and 5 hours of reading- 10 pts Evaluative criteria: timeliness, completeness, depth of analysis, writing quality	20	20

Project #4: Community Health Project & Presentation (30-40 hours), final report 20-22 pages and formatted Endnotes/ bibliography Project 4a: Community Reportback/Presentation that include context-appropriate materials and a forum with stakeholders to summarize and share the student's work and presentation to cohort (10-15 hours)- 10 pts Project 4b: Final Community Health Project Report (20-25 hours)- 20 pts Main components of final report drawing upon previous projects, forum discussions, internship guidance & course literature: ✓ 6 pgs: Background of local health issues and determinants, description of internship in context ✓ 5 pgs: Overview of identified health topic & target population from secondary and primary data ✓ 3 pgs: Overview of community-based interventions and approaches ✓ 4 pgs: Triangulation of data, capacity assessment and discussion of applying best practice ✓ 2 pgs: Summary and final reflections of community reportback and presentation ✓ Bibliography, Appendices, Photos, etc. Evaluative criteria: timeliness, completeness, depth of analysis, writing quality	30	30
quality <i>Total</i>	100	100%

VI. Grading Scales

Grades are assigned according to the following levels of proficiency for graduate level work:

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Grade	GPA	Numeric
A+		N/A
Α	4.0	95-100
A-	3.7	92-94.99
B+	3.3	89-91.99
В	3.0	84-88.99
B-	2.7	81-83.99
C+	2.3	78-80.99
С	2.0	73-77.99
C-	1.7	70-72.99
D+	0	69-69.99
D	0	68-68.99
D-	0	65-67.99
F	0	0-64.99
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Satisfactory progress in the degree requires a GPA of 3.0 or above, across your courses.

- Class attendance: Students are required to join in the class SKYPE discussions each week and to
 contribute to ongoing FTDs with an original post and at least one response to posts of peers within an
 approximate 2-week period. This gives the core coherence to the online learning process.
- Late work and extra credit: If a student has an "excused" delay from an assignment that is due, they may make that up within the next week. Excused delays may be acquired by contacting the APU instructor ahead of deadline and receiving written/email confirmation. If they have no excuse from the week's work, they will receive a 5% drop in grade if submitted the next week, and 10% if submitted two weeks later, with progressive decline of the grade. As each assignment builds upon the next in this course and they are revised and compiled for the final project, it is important that students keep up with the pace of the course. Presence and participation in each Skype call allows for a total of 2.5 points of extra credit (0.25 pt/Skype in which the student is not scheduled to present, 10 total).
- o **Incompletes**: The grade of "Incomplete" can only be given in the case of a verified personal/family emergency and with the approval of the course professor and the college dean.
- Returns: I will attempt to grade work the week submitted though this is not always feasible. The
 course work and grades will be open to view two weeks after the end of the course.

VII. Course Policies

Attendance in the weekly online SKYPE calls or forum discussions is essential in any learning community, as each class builds on the previous.

Writing Assignments: Projects and Forum Discussions are due on assigned dates (by midnight PST). All assignments should be formatted as follows:

- Times New Roman, 12 point
- 1 inch margins
- Title, name and date in right upper corner,
- Page numbers in right lower corner
- Single-spaced
- Endnotes/bibliography
- Checked for spelling/grammatical errors

Preparation/Study time: In a 15-week course, the expected total course time for one class is up to 160 hours. The general rule of thumb is that a Module requires at least three hours of work off line for each hour the student spends online in class each week. In an online course there is less face-to-face time (Usually 2-3 hours per week including forum discussion), but the total of 8-10 hours per week remains.

Following the APU Credit Hour policy, to meet the identified student learning outcomes of this course, the expectation of a 3-unit course during a 15-week term approximates 160 hours of invested work:

- 2-3-hours/week of online class discussion or direct faculty interaction (30-40 hours total)
- 3 to 4-hours/week of internship (50 hours total)
- 4 to 5-hours/week of research/ fieldwork/ other academic work (60-80 hours total)

The aim of a course is not to overwhelm the student with stress, but create a positive learning environment. Learning a healthy work-life balance is part of the graduate experience. The instructor recognizes that healthcare may not be your field or expertise, thus adding an element of challenge, but it is hoped that the student complete the course with a new appreciation for the integration of health concepts in all types of social justice, church and community-based work, thus being able to supervise or partner with other development workers for whom this is their specialization.

Academic Integrity: The practice of academic integrity to ensure the quality of education is the responsibility of each member of the educational community at Azusa Pacific University. It is the policy of the university that academic work should represent the independent thought and activity of the individual student, and work that is borrowed from another source without attribution or used in an unauthorized way in an academic exercise is considered to be academic dishonesty that defrauds the work of others and the educational system. Engaging in academic dishonesty is a serious offense for which a student may be disciplined or dismissed from a program. The full academic integrity policy is available in the graduate catalog. Further, all university and departmental policies affecting student work, appeals, and grievances, as outlined in the Graduate Catalog and/or Department Handbook will apply, unless otherwise indicated in this syllabus

References to author and text must be included whenever the author is quoted or ideas used. This is simple respect. Use the APA6 Author-Date system. It is required that you get a copy of EndNote from IMT or the Library for keeping your references over the years. It will do most of the formatting for you.

Disability Procedure: Students in this course who have a disability that might prevent them from fully demonstrating their abilities should meet with the MATUL program director, as soon as possible to initiate disability verification and discuss accommodations that may be necessary to ensure full participation in the successful completion of course requirements.

VIII. Course Bibliography

1. Introduction to Urban Health (Week 1)

Required

Farmer, P., 2003. "Chapter 9: Rethinking Health and Human Rights: Time for a Paradigm Shift," in *Pathologies of Power. CSPA, Berkeley, CA*: 213-246. (That's right, we are starting with the last chapter!)

Green, L.W., Kreuter, M.W. 2005. "Glossary," in *Health Program Planning: An Educational and Ecological Approach, 4th Edition*. McGraw-Hill, New York, NY. [Available on Sakai]

Khan, O.A. & Pappas, G. Eds. 2011. "Ch 12: Primary Care in Megacities of the Developing World," in *Megacities & Global Health*. APHA, Washington, DC: 259-271. [Available on Sakai]

People's Health Movement. "Global Call for Action around the 30th Anniversary of the Alma Ata Declaration." Retrieved July 2012; http://www.phmovement.org/en/node/867.

Rossi, P.H., Freeman, H.E., Lipsey, M.W. 1999. "Glossary," in *Evaluation: A Systematic Approach*, 6th Edition. Sage Publications, Thousand Oaks, CA. [Available on Sakai]

Recommended

Harpham, T. 2009. Urban health in developing countries: What do we know and where do we go? *Health & Place*, 15: 107-116. [Access at http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1353829208000385]

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Sclar, E.D., Garau, P., Carolini, G. 2005. The 21st century health challenge of slums and cities. *Lancet*, 365: 901-3. [Access at http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(05)71049-7/fulltext]

2. Social Determinants of Health (SDH) (Week 2)

Required

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Required

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