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Team's Draft Report

#### **REVIEW FOR ACCREDITATION**

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

California State University, Fullerton (CSU Fullerton) was founded in 1957 as a comprehensive state university in Orange County, California. The university has eight colleges: Arts; Business and Economics; Communications; Education; Engineering and Computer Science; Health and Human Development; Humanities and Social Sciences; and Natural Sciences and Mathematics. As of fall 2019, CSU Fullerton offered 55 bachelor's majors and 55 graduate programs, including doctorates in education and nursing practice. In fall 2019, CSU Fullerton had 39,868 students and employed over 4,000 full- and part-time faculty and staff.

The university holds institutional accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and responds to 21 specialized accreditors, including the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and Council on Social Work Education. The university was recently ranked second in the nation in the number of baccalaureate degrees awarded to minority students by *Diverse Issues in Higher Education* (2019). CSU Fullerton is a designated Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) and Asian American, Native American, and Pacific Islander Serving Institution (AANAPISI).

The MPH program is housed within the Department of Public Health (known as the Department of Health Sciences until 2019) in the College of Health and Human Development. The department seeks to meet the rising need for professionals trained in public health and allied health through its degree offerings, which also include an undergraduate major in public health that is not included in the unit of accreditation and minors in health sciences and pre-health professions. The three MPH concentrations offered, health promotion and disease prevention; environmental and occupational health and safety; and gerontological health, were established to align with faculty expertise and research. As of fall 2020, there are 60 students enrolled in the MPH program: 53 students in health promotion and disease prevention, six in environmental and occupational health and safety, and one in gerontological health.

The program's initial accreditation took place in 2008, and the program's subsequent re-accreditation in 2013 resulted in a seven-year accreditation term. Due to COVID-19-related restrictions on travel and gatherings, this site visit was conducted via distance technology, with all attendees participating via the Zoom platform with video. The distance-based visit will be followed by an on-campus visit when it is safe to do so, within one year of the accreditation decision resulting from this visit.

Instructional Matrix - Degrees and Concentrations					
Master's Degrees	Academic	Professional	Campus- based		
Health Promotion and Disease Prevention (HPDP)		MPH	х		
Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety (EOHS)		MPH	х		
Gerontological Health		MPH	Х		

#### **Criterion Elements** Compliance **Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding** School/Program Response **Council Comments** Finding Met The program has adequate organizational and Designates appropriate committees Click here to enter text. administrative processes to fulfill its mission and goals. It or individuals for decision making, implementation is led by a faculty member referred to as the "program Faculty have opportunities for input advisor," who reports to the chair of the Department of in all of the following: Public Health. The chair reports to the dean of the College of Health and Human Development. Each of the three degree requirements • MPH concentrations is led by a track advisor. curriculum design • student assessment policies & • There are four standing committees involved in program processes decision making, and membership is determined by admissions policies & decisions • appointment or invitation. Each standing committee's faculty recruitment & composition, responsibilities and meeting frequency are promotion clearly outlined. • research & service activities The MPH Program Committee is chaired by the program Ensures all faculty regularly interact advisor and comprises the department chair, instructional with colleagues & are engaged in faculty, the MPH Admissions Committee chair, the MPH ways that benefit the instructional ILE coordinator, student representatives, and other program department faculty. The committee is responsible for systematic review and revision of the program, including curricula, policies, admissions requirements, and program evaluation. The MPH Assessment Committee leads most of the program's data collection and long-range planning efforts related to student enrollment, faculty recruitment, and financial planning. It meets approximately once per month and solicits feedback from the program's Community

#### **A1. ORGANIZATION & ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSES**

Advisory Board, faculty, and students to inform decision	
making processes. Input is presented to the MPH Program	
Committee for discussion during program meetings.	
The Admissions Committee meets twice per year to	
develop recruitment strategies and review program	
applications. This committee includes several faculty	
members and one MPH student. Admissions	
recommendations are brought to the program advisor and	
department chair, who make the final decision.	
MPH students can elect to take a comprehensive exam as	
the integrative learning experience. The MPH	
Comprehensive Exam Committee meets twice per year to	
plan the implementation of the exam, develop questions	
and format, and proctor and score the exam.	
Faculty recruitment and promotion follow the policies and	
processes of CSU Fullerton. New positions are introduced	
based on enrollment growth and require approval from	
the vice president for academic affairs. An ad hoc Faculty	
Search Committee is elected to conduct the faculty search	
and initial review. CSU Fullerton's Diversity, Inclusion &	
Equity Programs (DIEP) Office reviews all potential faculty	
job announcements and process to ensure representation,	
fairness, and adherence to federal guidelines. Faculty	
promotion follows the University's policies and	
procedures.	
procedures.	
Faculty research and service expectations are outlined in	
the personnel standards document for professional	
growth and teaching effectives. Evaluation methods for	
these activities are described in detail and provide	

direction to faculty at all levels, including expectations for tenure and promotion.	
There is MPH faculty representation on several university committees such as the Student Health Advisory Committee, Academic Senate, and Health Campus Initiative Wellness Council.	
Full-time and part-time faculty collaborate within the program and department at meetings, annual College and bi-annual department retreats, and formal and informal social events. Important information is also shared on websites or through occasional virtual meetings. Program leaders make efforts to increase interactions between the two part-time faculty and part-time faculty have been invited to participate in meetings and annual retreats in- person, virtually or watch the videos posted online.	

# A2. MULTI-PARTNER SCHOOLS & PROGRAMS

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Not Applicable	2		

#### A3. STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Students have formal methods to participate in policy making & decision making		Students participate in policy and decision-making process through representation on standing and ad hoc program committees and other activities. Two to three students (at least one from each cohort) are elected annually to serve on the MPH Program Committee and one student is	Click here to enter text.	
Students engaged as members on decision-making bodies, where appropriate		appointed each year to the Admissions Committee. Student representatives interact with committee members and serve as information conduits between students and faculty.		
		Students also provide formal and informal feedback to identify areas of program improvement through methods such as the MPH current student survey, MPH exit survey, and feedback on prospective faculty candidates.		
		The honorary student organization, Eta Sigma Gamma, is open to all students in the department and offers leadership, research experience, fundraising, community service, and networking opportunities with faculty and other public health related agencies. Eta Sigma Gamma is responsible for organizing the MPH Meet and Greet and the MPH Spring Symposium events.		
		Faculty, students, and alumni confirmed the strong relationships between student representatives and fellow students, faculty, the program advisor, and the		

department chair. These relationships have continued to be strong throughout the current online period necessitated by COVID-19.	

# A4. AUTONOMY FOR SCHOOLS OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Criterion Elements	Compliance	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Finding			
Not Applicable				

# A5. DEGREE OFFERINGS IN SCHOOLS OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Not Applicable	2		1

# **B1. GUIDING STATEMENTS**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Defines a vision, mission statement, goals, statement of values		The program defines a complete set of guiding statements to guide program efforts to promote student success and advance the field of public health. Taken as a whole, the		
Taken as a whole, guiding statements address instruction, scholarship, service		guiding statements address scholarship, instruction, and service.		

Taken as a whole, guiding	The mission of the program is to <i>"develop knowledgeable,</i>	
statements define plans to 1)	skillful health professionals who are proficient in	
advance the field of public health &	disseminating and applying knowledge to prevent disease	
2) promote student success	and promote health in the human population. Students	
Guiding statements reflect	with diverse backgrounds are brought together to receive	
aspirations & respond to needs of	advanced education in disease prevention and health	
	promotion topics, with specialized emphasis on research	
intended service area(s)	and practice that improves the lives of diverse groups,	
Guiding statements sufficiently	organizations and communities in a global society."	
specific to rationally allocate		
resources & guide evaluation of	The vision is to <i>"improve the health of Orange County and</i>	
outcomes	surrounding areas by producing leaders in public health	
	practice and research."	
	In addition to the mission and vision statements, the	
	program developed three goals and five core values to	
	guide their activities:	
	1. Provide a high-quality public health education that	
	meets the evolving needs of our students and	
	community.	
	2. Support an environment of collaborative inquiry	
	and discovery to advance public health.	
	3. Maintain a diverse and inclusive learning	
	environment.	
	The core values outlined are an engaged learning	
	environment, high degree of professionalism and	
	integrity, compassion and community responsibility,	
	discovery, and respect for diversity.	
	The guiding statements ensure that students are prepared	
	to be problem solvers with inquisitive minds and	
	contributing members of their immediate and global	
	communities. Professionalism, respect for diversity are	
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integrity are central concepts in the program. As the first	
MPH program in Orange County, the program has	
partnered with the Orange County Health Care Agency to	
help address the community's needs.	
Although "service" is not explicitly mentioned in the	
program's three goals, program faculty and students	
shared countless service opportunities they have been	
involved with and how this service benefits the	
community, students, and program. Reviewers recognized	
that service is central to the program's relationship with	
its stakeholders and its aspirations.	

# **B2. GRADUATION RATES**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Collects, analyzes & accurately		The program exceeds the CEPH-defined graduation rate	Click here to enter text.	
presents graduation rate data for		threshold of 70%. Graduate students have five years to		
each public health degree offered		complete the MPH degree.		
Achieves graduation rates of at				
least 70% for bachelor's & master's		The program achieved graduation rates between 90% and		
degrees, 60% for doctoral degrees		96% for its 2015, 2016, and 2017 cohorts. These rates		
		represent starting cohorts between 21 to 29 students. The		
		2016 and 2017 cohorts both have one student who		
		remains actively enrolled in the program, according to the		
		self-study document. Based on additional data provided		
		during the site visit, the 2018-19 cohort has achieved a		
		54% graduation rate and has nine students who remain		
		actively enrolled in the program. The 2019-20 cohort		
		started with 23 students and none had graduated or		
		withdrawn at the time of the site visit. Attrition is		

sufficiently low, so these cohorts are also poised to meet this criterion's expectations.	
Most of the students enrolled in the MPH program are also employed, so the program has made a conscious effort to schedule most courses at 4pm or later and offer electives in an online format. The program considers this a strength that aids in its high graduation rates.	

## **B3. POST-GRADUATION OUTCOMES**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met with Cor	nmentary		
Collects, analyzes & presents data on graduates' employment or enrollment in further education post-graduation for each public health degree offered		The program achieves high rates of positive post- graduation outcomes among its MPH graduates. Among 2017 to 2019 graduates, 91%, 93%, and 89% reported being employed, enrolled in continuing education, or not seeking employment/education by choice. Only two graduates during this period were still actively seeking	Since the site visit, the Assessment Committee has drafted an Alumni Survey (Attachment B4_2) and is currently working on an Employer Survey. We will be pilot testing the surveys in May 2021. See	
Chooses methods explicitly designed to minimize number of students with unknown outcomes		employment or enrollment in further education, and the program reports only five unknown outcomes among 79 students across the three years	Attachment B4_3 for a tree diagram of evalution data collection and assessment.	
Achieves rates of at least 80% employment or enrollment in further education for each public health degree		The commentary relates to how the program collects these data. The program relies on information collected by the program advisor through LinkedIn searches and updates provided by faculty. While current unknown outcomes are low, the program acknowledges that this may not always be the most efficient method of collecting the information. The program discussed the need to revise the previous MPH Alumni Employer Survey as a possible		

means to obtain this information but were still considering this possibility at the time of the site visit.	

### **B4. ALUMNI PERCEPTIONS OF CURRICULAR EFFECTIVENESS**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Partially Met			
Defines qualitative &/or quantitative methods designed to provide meaningful, useful information on alumni perceptions Documents & regularly examines its methodology & outcomes to ensure useful data Data address alumni perceptions of success in achieving competencies Data address alumni perceptions of usefulness of defined competencies in post-graduation placements		The program collects alumni perceptions of curricular effectiveness through an exit survey administered at the end of students' integrative learning experience (ILE). Completing this survey is required to receive a grade for the course. The exit survey asks students to rate their mastery/competency in seven core curriculum areas such as epidemiology, statistics, health administration, and health promotion using a Likert scale of strong mastery of content to weak mastery. The exit surveys indicated high levels of confidence in most of the seven core curriculum areas. The program has seen noteworthy increases in student confidence in areas such as environmental health, epidemiology, and program planning and evaluation from 2016 to 2020. Ninety-one to 100% of respondents in the 2020 cohort indicated strong or very strong mastery in areas of epidemiology, program planning and evaluation, and health promotion, compared to 58-83% in 2019. While more than half of respondents indicated a strong to very strong mastery in these areas,	Reviewers commented "there is a considerable level of variation [of self-reported mastery] among cohorts." Thus, we revised our Exit Survey (Attachment B4_1) by expanding on our original, more broad, set of questions to reflect on the competencies mastered within each of the core areas. Additionally, students are asked for feedback on competencies where they rated themselves as "weak". We believe this approach will allow us to identify areas in need of improvement and address issues in a timely manner. Reviewers also commented on the lack of "opportunity to accurately assess perceptions of competency	
		there is a considerable level of variation among cohorts. For example, 71% of students in the 2019 cohort indicated mastery in health promotion compared to 100% of	usefulness in post-graduation placements." In response, we have drafted an Alumni Survey	

ts in 2020. The program may find attempts to better	(Attachment B4_2) to measure how	
tand these variations as meaningful to foster future	useful each competency is in	
lar improvements.	students' post-graduation	
	placements. It will be sent out	
ncern relates to the program's timing of collecting	annually at the end of the Spring	
ata, which does not allow alumni to provide	semester (usually late May,	
ation on the usefulness of competencies in their	approximately 1 year post	
aduation pursuits. The program's rationale for	graduation).	
ing information solely through the required survey	The MPH Assessment Committee	
difficulties in securing responses in a survey	will analyze the findings of all	
stered one year after graduation. While this is a	surveys and identify areas of	
concern, it does not offer the program the	concern. These findings will be	
unity to accurately assess perceptions of	shared with the Graduate	
tency usefulness in post-graduation placements.	Committee at the annual Fall Faculty	
ogram acknowledged these issues during the site	retreat in August. See Attachment	
d expressed the need to be more intentional about	B4_3 for a diagram of evalution data	
the right questions at the right time while still	collection and assessment.	
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## **B5. DEFINING EVALUATION PRACTICES**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Partially Met			
Defines sufficiently specific &		The program has outlined an evaluation plan and data	In response to the committee's	
appropriate evaluation measures.		collection measures. For the goal that relates to	concerns, we have thoroughly	
Measures & data allow reviewers to		instruction, the program advisor, Assessment Committee,	revamped our assessment and	
track progress in achieving goals &		and Program Committee review curricular learning	evaluation plan. The department	
to assess progress in advancing the		objectives, MPH exit survey and Student Representative	chair has provided a course buy-out	
field of public health & promoting		comments, and MPH current student surveys. For the	for Department of Public Health	
student success		scholarship goal, the Assessment Committee and program	faculty, Dr. Jennifer Piazza, to lead	

Defines plan that is ongoing,	advisor review faculty CVs for evidence of peer-reviewed	assessment. Dr. Piazza has received	
systematic & well-documented.	research, and student applied practice experience	campus intramural funding for	
Plan defines sufficiently specific &	proposals for evidence of student-faculty collaboration	innovative assessment activities	
appropriate methods, from data	and independent projects that align with students'	and her prior work for assessing our	
collection through review.	professional goals.	undergraduate program has been	
Processes have clearly defined		showcased across campus as a	
responsible parties & cycles for	There is also a goal that focuses on diversity and inclusivity,	model assessment effort.	
review	which is monitored by the Admissions Committee,	Since the site visit, the MPH Program	
	program advisor, and faculty and is discussed further in	Advisor and members of the	
	Criterion G.	Assessment Committee met with	
		CSUF's Office of Assessment and	
	The program's selected indicators align with its mission	Institutional Effectiveness to	
	and goals and the indicators have the potential to show	develop a sound assessment and	
	progress towards the mission. The program provided	evaluation plan. Dr. Piazza also	
	department meeting minutes, Community Advisory Board	attended the CEPH Webinar on	
	minutes, and MPH Program Committee minutes as	March 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2021, "Evaluation,	
	evidence of its process.	Strategies, Insights and Tips." We	
		have drafted a systematic, well-	
	The first concern relates to the degree of demonstrated	documented plan with clearly	
	alignment of the chosen indicators with the assessment	defined cycles for review. See	
	tools. The indicators, while laudable, lack precise	Attachment B4_3 for a diagram of	
	measures to assess progress. For example, the program	evalution data collection and	
	indicated departmental minutes, CAB minutes, and MPH	assessment.	
	Program Committee minutes as assessment tools. The		
	review of the self-study and electronic resource file did not		
	identify where and how progress is tracked or results from		
	the limited data discussed. The program has identified a		
	desire to optimize its process for data collection. It has		
	plans to improve evaluation tools and implement a more		
	robust data collection strategy.		
	The second concern relates to the lack of evidence that the		
	program's aspirations related to service are systematically		
	monitored or evaluated, as required by this criterion. It is		

clear that the program is committed to service, but there is no evidence of this commitment in any of the listed evaluation plan measures that would provide the program with a way to capture the work they do in this area.	

# **B6. USE OF EVALUATION DATA**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met with Cor	nmentary		
Engages in regular, substantive		The program advisor and Program Committee review	Please see narratives in B3, B4 and	
review of all evaluation findings,		evaluation data. The program has made changes to its		
including strategic discussions.		curriculum and internship timing based on findings from	diagram of evalution data collection	
Translates evaluation findings into		MPH Exit Survey data. While the Exit Survey is regularly	and assessment.	
programmatic plans & changes.		administered, there is minimal evidence that the faculty		
Provides specific examples of		participate in a review of evaluation data or use data for		
changes based on evaluation		planning. The program reported making changes to the		
findings (including those in B2-B5,		time courses were scheduled and the semester the		
E3-E5, F1, G1, H1-H2, etc.)		internship course was offered to address feedback		
		gathered from the Exit Survey.		
		The commentary relates to the alignment with		
		programmatic changes with evaluation measures listed in		
		Criterion B5. Results of the MPH exit survey are clearly		
		useful to the program, but outside of the class scheduling		
		changes presented there is little evidence of additional		
		clear links between the programs evaluation processes		
		and the meaningful improvements that faculty have made		
		in recent years. The program confirmed the gaps in their		
		data collection processes and plans to revisit existing tools		

to ensure the alignment with the assessment indicators. Data collection will be done periodically.	

# C1. FISCAL RESOURCES

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Financial resources currently adequate to fulfill stated mission & goals & sustain degree offerings Financial support appears sufficiently stable at time of site visit		The program has sufficient and stable fiscal resources to support its operations and degree offerings. The program's major sources of funding include general funds from the university, external grants and contracts, intramural grants, gifts, and open university fees from non-matriculated students.	Click here to enter text.	
		The university's general fund allocation comprises student tuition and fees and state appropriations. The allocation to each college is based on past and projected student enrollment. Within the college, each department receives a portion of the general fund allocation based on enrollment and student-faculty ratios. After the department subtracts full-time faculty positions from the FTE allocation, the remainder of position allocations can be used to fund part-time faculty, graduate assistants, and assigned time for major department service.		
		When additional faculty are needed, the department chair submits requests to the dean. Based on departmental growth projections, the dean forwards new position requests to the provost/vice president for academic affairs. The dean also submits requests for additional support staff and large items such as major equipment		

purchases and space renovation to the university's	
Planning, Resource, and Budget Committee. This	
committee reviews all requests and makes	
recommendations to the president.	
recommendations to the president.	
The pregram uses general funds to pay for feaulty and staff	
The program uses general funds to pay for faculty and staff	
salaries and benefits; operational costs (which include	
office supplies and equipment, telephone and postage,	
and other incidental expenses); and student activity and	
student travel funds. Donations and gifts support student	
scholarships, which are managed and distributed by the	
Cal State Fullerton Philanthropic Foundation.	
The program identified that faculty workload is an ongoing	
challenge, and fiscal resources for reducing the teaching	
load are not readily available. Through careful course	
scheduling and fiscal management, the department is able	
to provide release time for the MPH program advisor and	
others in leadership roles. The MPH program advisor gets	
one course release per semester (25% of total effort) for	
this role. The department is establishing an assessment	
coordinator position dedicated to the graduate programs.	
The faculty member in that role will also receive one	
course release per semester. Faculty serving as advisors on	
students' ILE projects also earn credit toward course	
releases.	
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Each tenure-track faculty member receives \$1,000 for	
travel annually. Faculty can also apply for additional travel	
grants for professional development opportunities from	
other units in the university. Faculty bringing in indirect	
cost from a grant or contract receive 10% directly and an	
additional 3% from the college.	

# **C2. FACULTY RESOURCES**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
School employs at least 21 PIF; or program employs at least 3 PIF		The program has adequate faculty resources to sustain its core functions and support the fulfillment of its mission	Click here to enter text.	
3 faculty members per concentration area for all concentrations; at least 2 are PIF;		and goals. The ratios for general advising and career advising are appropriate for the MPH degree, as are the overall MPH ILE ratios. The program has 22 PIF ranging		
double-counting of PIF is appropriate, if applicable		from 0.50 to 0.80 FTE each. The program calculates FTE based on the number of MPH core and concentration		
Additional PIF for each additional degree level in concentration; double-counting of PIF is appropriate, if applicable	N/A	courses taught, in addition to independent studies and integrative learning experiences. All faculty in the department have undergraduate teaching		
Ratios for general advising & career counseling are appropriate for degree level & type		responsibilities so no faculty member has a 1.0 FTE allocation to the program. Thirteen PIF are allocated to the health promotion/disease prevention concentration, three are allocated to the EOHS concentration, and two		
Ratios for MPH ILE are appropriate for degree level & nature of assignment		are allocated to the gerontological concentration, with a non-PIF also supporting this concentration. The MPH program advisor provides general advising and		
Ratios for bachelor's cumulative or experiential activity are appropriate, if applicable	N/A	career counseling to all students in the program, which at the time of the self-study submission was 60 students. There are 19 tenure-track faculty eligible to advise students in the ILE projects, and faculty advise on average		
Ratios for mentoring on doctoral students' integrative project are appropriate, if applicable	N/A	one, with a maximum of two, students per year. If a student has a particular area of interest that aligns with expertise of lecturer faculty, the lecturer is paired with a tenure-track faculty member to co-advise the student. The		

Students' perceptions of class size	program advisor noted that not all students can be	
& its relation to quality of learning	matched with their first choice of advisor for the ILE.	
are positive (note: evidence may be	However, if students are willing to be flexible with the	
collected intentionally or received	project topic and choice of advisor, all students who want	
as a byproduct of other activities)	to complete a project (as opposed to the thesis or	
Students are satisfied with faculty	comprehensive exam) can do so. Site visitors did not find	
availability (note: evidence may be	this issue to be at a level to warrant concern, particularly	
collected intentionally or received	because so many students are involved in independent	
as a byproduct of other activities)	study projects with faculty and students said that they felt	
as a syproduct of other activities,	satisfied with the opportunities available to them.	
	satisfied with the opportunities available to them.	
	The program uses an MPH Exit Survey to assess student's	
	satisfaction with class size and faculty availability.	
	Students are asked to use a Likert scale to rate their level	
	of agreement that class sizes are conducive and beneficial	
	to their learning. One hundred percent (n=11) of	
	respondents in the 2019-20 cohort indicated that they	
	strongly or somewhat agreed that class size was conducive	
	and beneficial. Students were asked to rate their	
	satisfaction with the availability of public health faculty in	
	a similar way and 91% of students in the 2019-20 cohort	
	indicated they were extremely or somewhat satisfied.	
	Students are also offered the ability to provide narrative	
	responses but only two students in the most recent	
	iteration of the survey did so. Both were satisfied in both	
	areas but one stated that more faculty were needed to	
	teach the core curriculum classes.	
	During the site visit, students discussed the breadth of	
	interaction they have with faculty, including their	
	satisfaction with faculty availability. There was a	
	consensus from the students who met with site visitors	
	that faculty accommodate students' work schedules and	
	other commitments by making themselves available for	
	other communents by making themselves available for	

meetings and office hours outside of regular business	
hours.	

## C3. STAFF AND OTHER PERSONNEL RESOURCES

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Staff & other personnel are currently adequate to fulfill the stated mission & goals Staff & other personnel resources appear sufficiently stable		The program has a small but sufficient staff complement that supports the program's mission and goals. The Department of Public Health and the Department of Kinesiology share four staff members with the following allocations to the MPH program: administrative support coordinator II (0.10 FTE); two administrative analysts (0.15 FTE and 0.10 FTE); and an IT support staff member (0.10 FTE). These staff members provide course and classroom scheduling, process add/drop paperwork and change of grade forms, process travel authorizations and reimbursement requests, and provide administrative support for new faculty hires. One of the administrative analysts also supports the program's admission process and committee. Given that the Department of Public Health and the Department of Kinesiology share physical office space, the program states that sharing staff support is beneficial and efficient. Although the program has a vacant office		
		receptionist position and the university has implemented a hiring "chill," the need for this position has been eliminated while the campus is under a mandatory work- from-home order through May 2021. The administrative		

support coordinator II has absorbed the minimal duties of the receptionist position that still exist; this work replaces the responsibilities that have been reduced due to the cancellation of events and travel.	
During the site visit, program leaders and faculty reported that staff support is adequate and felt confident that resources would be sufficient when faculty and students return to campus.	

# C4. PHYSICAL RESOURCES

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Physical resources adequate to fulfill mission & goals & support degree programs Physical resources appear sufficiently stable		The program's physical spaces are maintained and periodically upgraded by the college. The Kinesiology and Health Science building includes individual office space for each tenure-track faculty member, shared office space for lecturers, and a shared front office space with three offices for four staff members, one student assistant, and two department chairs. While office space currently is adequate, the college has provided funding to renovate existing space that will be used for additional faculty offices. The program has access to smart classrooms (six maintained by the departments and eight maintained by the university) that contain LCD projectors, computers,		
		and wireless internet connections. The Department of Public Health has first scheduling rights to three		
		classrooms. During the site visit, MPH program leaders reported ready access to the best classrooms because the		

program's courses are in the evening when classroom	
demand is much lower.	
MPH students have an exclusive lounge and study area	
that provides space for group projects, research activities,	
and independent work. The space, renovated in 2012,	
includes three computer workstations, three desktop	
printers, one networked printer, one large table to	
facilitate group interaction and teamwork, a whiteboard	
with markers, and a microwave.	
The program maintains a research suite with six offices	
and a large storage area that houses the Fibromyalgia and	
Chronic Pain Center, the Center for Healthy Lifestyles and	
Obesity Prevention, and the Center for Cancer Disparities Research.	
A second research suite contains nine small offices and	
one common area that houses research project staff. The	
HRSA-funded Health Careers Opportunity Program	
partially occupies this suite; it was previously managed by	
the Department of Public Health and is now managed by	
the Department of Social Work. The university transferred	
project leadership when the principal investigator left the	
university. Although the self-study states that this use of	
the program's research space is not ideal, it does present	
opportunities for MPH student involvement, and the	
space is expected to be returned in August 2023.	
In 2010 20, the college provided funds to represente and	
In 2019-20, the college provided funds to renovate and upgrade the program's conference room, which now	
provides space for large group events, such as retreats,	
and is equipped for hosting video conferences.	
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## **C5. INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Adequate library resources, including personnel, for students & faculty Adequate IT resources, including		The program's information and technology resources are sufficient, as was demonstrated when the program had to rapidly transition to fully online operations and instruction in March 2020 due to COVID-19.	Click here to enter text.	
tech assistance for students & faculty		The CSU libraries' consortium purchasing model allows for a collection of digital resources that can be accessed by all		
Library & IT resources appear sufficiently stable		23 campuses. These resources and full-text titles support the curricula in arts and humanities, life and physical sciences, social sciences, engineering, computer sciences, nursing, education, business administration, and public administration.		
		CSU Fullerton's Pollak Library is located on the university's main campus, and public health students and faculty can contact the designated public health librarian via email, phone, and instant messaging. This librarian typically teaches instructional sessions in the PUBH 500 course, which MPH students take during their first semester. The library has full-text access to more than 7,700 public health journals and more than 3,500 eBooks related to health.		
		The Pollak Library has more than 500 computers with Microsoft Office suite available for student use; many of these computers also have more advanced software applications such as SPSS. The self-study states that the university will be purchasing a campus NVivo Enterprise license for qualitative data analysis in 2021. MPH students		

can also access computer resources in the Kinesiology and	
Health Science Computer Lab and the MPH student lounge.	
All MPH faculty and staff have computer workstations and	
desktop printers that are connected to the university's	
network server and portals. Faculty and staff also have	
access to a fax machine, a laser printer, two copiers, and	
mobile equipment carts for instructional support. The	
Technology Support Center provides faculty with 24/7	
access to high-capacity scantron scanning, document	
scanning, VHS/DVD recorders, a flat screen TV, and a color	
laser printer.	
Students and faculty have ready access to technical	
assistance from the university's IT staff; the college's	
Information Technology team, which offers web-hosting	
facilities and website design support; and the Faculty	
Development Center, which promotes incorporation of	
technology into instruction. During the site visit, faculty	
reported that they have received appropriate support as	
the campus' learning management system was switched	
from Moodle to Canvas.	
In second to COVID 10, the university ellows ell full and	
In response to COVID-19, the university allows all full- and	
part-time faculty to request laptops, web cameras,	
headphones, additional software, and MiFi (a wireless	
router that acts as mobile WiFi hotspot). The campus IT	
Department has provided additional information to	
facilitate virtual instruction and increased the number of	
appointments available in the virtual computing lab to	
assist students who may not have sufficient space on	
personal computers to download larger software packages	
such as SPSS.	

Students who met with site visitors acknowledged the
challenges with switching to virtual instruction in response
to COVID-19 but felt that faculty and the university worked
effectively through those challenges. One student reported
having problems with her laptop: campus IT loaned her a
replacement within hours so that she could participate in
class on schedule.

### D1. MPH & DRPH FOUNDATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH KNOWLEDGE

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Ensures grounding in foundational public health knowledge through appropriate methods (see worksheet for detail)		The program covers the 12 foundational public health learning objectives through eight required courses addressing epidemiological methods; research methods; environmental health; public health administration; biostatistics; program planning and evaluation; issues in public health; and health promotion and disease prevention. Reviewers validated coverage of all 12 defined learning objectives, as noted in the D1 worksheet.		

# D1 Worksheet

Foundational Knowledge	Yes/CNV
1. Explain public health history, philosophy & values	Yes
2. Identify the core functions of public health & the 10 Essential Services	Yes
3. Explain the role of quantitative & qualitative methods & sciences in describing & assessing a population's health	Yes
4. List major causes & trends of morbidity & mortality in the US or other community relevant to the school or program	Yes
5. Discuss the science of primary, secondary & tertiary prevention in population health, including health promotion, screening, etc.	Yes
6. Explain the critical importance of evidence in advancing public health knowledge	Yes
7. Explain effects of environmental factors on a population's health	Yes
8. Explain biological & genetic factors that affect a population's health	Yes
9. Explain behavioral & psychological factors that affect a population's health	Yes
10. Explain the social, political & economic determinants of health & how they contribute to population health & health inequities	Yes
11. Explain how globalization affects global burdens of disease	Yes
12. Explain an ecological perspective on the connections among human health, animal health & ecosystem health (eg, One Health)	Yes

### **D2. MPH FOUNDATIONAL COMPETENCIES**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Partially Met			
Assesses all MPH students, at least once, on their abilities to demonstrate each foundational competency (see worksheet for detail)		The program ensures coverage and assessment of foundational competencies through a set of seven core courses that all students take, which include Advanced Methods in Epidemiology; Program Planning and Evaluation; Statistical Methods in Health Science; Research Methods in Health Science; Public Health Administration; Advanced Study in Health Promotion and Disease Prevention; and Issues in Public Health. Reviewers were able to verify didactic coverage and assessment opportunities for all but two of the competencies. The concern relates to reviewers' inability to validate evidence of didactic coverage for foundational competencies 18 and 21 and an assessment opportunity for competency 21. Reviewers learned that the program is in the process of re-envisioning how it will provide interprofessional education to its students, but these strategies had not yet been implemented.	regarding assessment of competency 21, Department of Public Health faculty, Dr. Diana Tisnado currently serves as chair the CSUF College of Health	

college level and within the program, we expect to implement a systematic IPE experience during the 2021-22 academic year. In response to comments regarding didactic coverage of competency 18, the program is working or implementing the competency in	
PUBH 535 and/or 524; both courses will have new instructors nex academic year.	

# D2 Worksheet

MPH Foundational Competencies	Yes/CNV
1. Apply epidemiological methods to the breadth of settings & situations in public health practice	Yes
2. Select quantitative & qualitative data collection methods appropriate for a given public health context	Yes
3. Analyze quantitative & qualitative data using biostatistics, informatics, computer-based programming & software, as appropriate	Yes
4. Interpret results of data analysis for public health research, policy or practice	Yes
5. Compare the organization, structure & function of health care, public health & regulatory systems across national & international settings	Yes
6. Discuss the means by which structural bias, social inequities & racism undermine health & create challenges to achieving health equity at organizational, community &	Yes
societal levels	
7. Assess population needs, assets & capacities that affect communities' health	Yes
8. Apply awareness of cultural values & practices to the design or implementation of public health policies or programs	Yes
9. Design a population-based policy, program, project or intervention	Yes
10. Explain basic principles & tools of budget & resource management	Yes
11. Select methods to evaluate public health programs	Yes
12. Discuss multiple dimensions of the policy-making process, including the roles of ethics & evidence	Yes
13. Propose strategies to identify stakeholders & build coalitions & partnerships for influencing public health outcomes	Yes
14. Advocate for political, social or economic policies & programs that will improve health in diverse populations	Yes
15. Evaluate policies for their impact on public health & health equity	Yes
16. Apply principles of leadership, governance & management, which include creating a vision, empowering others, fostering collaboration & guiding decision making	Yes
17. Apply negotiation & mediation skills to address organizational or community challenges	Yes
18. Select communication strategies for different audiences & sectors	CNV
19. Communicate audience-appropriate public health content, both in writing & through oral presentation	Yes
20. Describe the importance of cultural competence in communicating public health content	Yes
21. Perform effectively on interprofessional teams	CNV
22. Apply systems thinking tools to a public health issue	Yes

### **D3. DRPH FOUNDATIONAL COMPETENCIES**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Not Applicable	2		

#### **D4. MPH & DRPH CONCENTRATION COMPETENCIES**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Partially Met			
Defines at least five distinct competencies for each concentration or generalist degree in MPH & DrPH. Competencies articulate an appropriate depth or enhancement beyond foundational competencies Assesses all students at least once on their ability to demonstrate each		The program takes an individualized approach to its concentration course structure. One course in two of the three MPH concentrations is prescribed, but the two other courses required for each concentration are chosen by students in consultation with their advisors. Students in the gerontological health concentration must take Applied Health Promotion in Aging Populations, and students in the HPDP concentration must take Advanced	In response to comment 2, re: EOHS competency 3 CNV, we would like to clarify information that may not have been effectively communicated during the site visit. Please see the syllabus for PUBH 466, course objectives 3 &5 in and student learning outcome 5 (Attachment D4_1). We believe	
concentration competency If applicable, covers & assesses defined competencies for a specific credential (eg, CHES, MCHES)	N/A	Community Health. Students in the EOHS concentration have one "semi- prescribed" course: they must take either Occupational Health and Safety or Hazardous Materials, Regulations, and Emergency Response. The program defines five competencies for each concentration. The self-study indicates that the one prescribed course addresses all five competencies for the	assignments 1 & 2 (Attachment D4_2) in conjunction with exam questions (Attachment D4_3) link PUBH 466 course content with competency 3. Specifically, in Assignment 2, students must address the causal factors that led to a hazardous materials incident and the risk mitigation efforts that may	

gerontological health and HPDP	
the options for the semi-prescri	
concentration address four of	
competencies.	safety professional's role within a
	management structure of an
For the other two classes ass	5
concentrations, the student and a	advisor work together to graduate students must complete a
select classes from a prescribe	•
and/or reinforce concentration	competencies, ensuring presentation (Attachment D4_1). In
that all students complete cour	rsework that thoroughly this presentation, graduate students
addresses the concentration com	mpetencies. The program must include emergency response
provided sample plans of study	for the HPDP and EOHS planning efforts and address the
concentrations that outlines the	e coursework and maps it educational, guidance and
to competencies. Site visitor	rs verified appropriate leadership roles of health and safety
coverage of concentration compe	etencies. professionals within an
	organization's management
When choosing the two addition	nal classes, students refer structure.
to two distinct "elective groups"	' defined by the program In response to comment 1, re: GERO
for each concentration. Stu	udents in the EOHS competency study plans, we are
concentration must choose two	o courses in either the attaching the study plan for the one
occupational health and safety	cluster or the chemical incoming GERO concentration
hazards cluster. HPDP students n	must choose two courses student in this year's cohort
in the policy cluster or two in th	ne program development (Attachment D4_4). Furthermore,
cluster. Students in the gerontolo	ogical concentration must the faculty continue to believe that
choose to take either 1) Applied G	Gerontology and 2) Public the five gerontological health
Policy and Aging, or to ta	ake 1) Biopsychosocial competencies are well-supported in
Perspectives in Aging and 2) Physic	sical Dimensions of Aging. PUBH 450. The program evaluation
	assignment in particular integrates
The program considers the indiv	ividualized nature of the discussion of theory, population
concentration coursework to be	e a strength, as it allows needs, and program critique and
students to tailor plans of stu	
professional interests.	lessons learned in the course.
	Starting this year, this assignment is
	also requiring periodic one-on-one

Reviewers were able to validate assessment opportunities	meetings with the instructor to	
for each of the three concentrations. Reviewers were also	select an appropriate topic and	
able to verify didactic coverage for all five competencies	program, to plan, and to check in	
for the HPDP and gerontological health concentrations.	periodically throughout the	
	semester to ensure development of	
The first concern relates to the reviewers' inability to verify		
an appropriate depth of knowledge and skills for the		
gerontological health concentration. The one required	D4 5.	
class minimally addresses the concentration		
competencies, but due to the low enrollment and no		
available plans of study, reviewers could not verify		
additional coverage.		
auditional coverage.		
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The second concern relates to the lack of evidence of		
assessment of competency three in the EOHS		
concentration. Reviewers could only verify its coverage		
and assessment in one of the two semi-prescribed courses		
for this concentration. Reviewers could not verify that		
students who choose to complete PUBH 466: Hazardous		
Materials, Regulations, and Emergency Response receive		
instruction and are assessed on this competency.		
The D4 worksheet summarizes these findings.		

D4 Worksheet

MPH Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Concentration Competencies	Comp statement acceptable as written? Yes/No	Comp taught and assessed? Yes/CNV
1. Synthesize empirical evidence within a conceptual framework in assessing the determinants of population health.	Yes	Yes
2. Select the appropriate policy tools to effectively influence population health.	Yes	Yes
3. Describe how a health in all policies approach can improve the health of a community.	Yes	Yes
4. Tailor a public health intervention to characteristics of a specific population.	Yes	Yes
5. Integrate historical determinants of health into health interventions	Yes	Yes

MPH Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety Concentration Competencies	Comp statement acceptable as written? Yes/No	Comp taught and assessed? Yes/CNV
1. Evaluate health and safety hazards in the workplace.	Yes	Yes
2. Characterize chemical and biological hazards in environmental and occupational settings.	Yes	Yes
3. Analyze the roles of health and safety professionals within a management structure.	Yes	CNV
4. Recommend personal protective equipment, engineering controls, and management controls for health and safety hazards.	Yes	Yes
5. Evaluate federal and state environmental and occupational health and safety regulations for the protection of public health.	Yes	Yes

MPH Gerontological Health Concentration Competencies	Comp statement acceptable as written? Yes/No	Comp taught and assessed? Yes/CNV
1. Explain how life-course experiences influence later life health in multiple domains, including cognitive, emotional, physical, psychological and social.	Yes	Yes
2. Analyze theory and research as it relates to the public health needs of older adults, their families and their broader communities.	Yes	Yes
3. Evaluate community programs for older adults.	Yes	Yes
4. Assess the unique legal and ethical challenges facing current and future cohorts of older adults.	Yes	Yes
5. Identify end-of-life socioemotional, health, and service needs.	Yes	Yes

## D5. MPH APPLIED PRACTICE EXPERIENCES

Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
Partially Met			
	MPH students complete an internship that requires 240 hours of contact time in the spring and summer semesters of the first year. The applied practice experience is structured through PUBH 595: MPH Student Internship. The course instructor is the MPH internship coordinator. In PUBH 595 students identify their internship sites and develop a learning contract with the site supervisor that identifies five foundational competencies to be applied during the experience. Students may identify additional competencies, including concentration competencies, if appropriate. At the completion of the internship, a student submits a portfolio of deliverables (minimum of two work products), a reflection on how the products they developed represent the application of selected competencies, and the site supervisor's assessment of the student's performance, including demonstration of identified competencies. The course instructor assesses the portfolio to ensure completion of appropriate work products and that the competencies identified in the learning contract were applied during the internship. The program identifies previous organizations that provided internship experiences, but students may also identify new internship locations. The new internship	In response to the comments, the new Internship Coordinator, Dr. Mojgan Sami, will be revising the Internship Portfolio in May and June to provide for the demonstration of 5 concentration competencies.	
	Finding	FindingPartially MetMPH students complete an internship that requires 240 hours of contact time in the spring and summer semesters of the first year.The applied practice experience is structured through PUBH 595: MPH Student Internship. The course instructor is the MPH internship coordinator. In PUBH 595 students identify their internship sites and develop a learning contract with the site supervisor that identifies five foundational competencies to be applied during the experience. Students may identify additional competencies, including concentration competencies, if appropriate. At the completion of the internship, a student submits a portfolio of deliverables (minimum of two work products), a reflection on how the products they developed represent the application of selected competencies, and the site supervisor's assessment of the student's performance, including demonstration of identified competencies. The course instructor assesses the portfolio to ensure completion of appropriate work products and that the competencies identified in the learning contract were applied during the internship.The program identifies previous organizations that provided internship experiences, but students may also	Finding       MPH students complete an internship that requires 240       In response to the comments, the new Internship Coordinator, Dr. Mojgan Sami, will be revising the Internship Coordinator, Dr. Mojgan Sami, will be revising the Internship POHB 595: MPH Student Internship. The course instructor is the MPH internship coordinator. In PUBH 595 students identify their internship sites and develop a learning contract with the site supervisor that identifies five foundational competencies to be applied during the experience. Students may identify additional competencies, including concentration of selected competencies, and the site supervisor's assessment of the student's performance, including demonstration of identified competencies. The course instructor assesses the portfolio to ensure completion of appropriate work products and that the competencies identified in the learning contract were applied during the internship.         The program identifies previous organizations that provided internship locations. The new internship

extensive contacts at community-based organizations in
and around Orange County that have provided new
internship opportunities. The program plans to build on
these connections to identify core organizations with
which to establish a reliable and mutually beneficial flow
of students. In addition, the new internship coordinator
has engaged with the campus' Career Planning and
Placement Center to broaden students' exposure to
potential internship sites. One student reported that she
found her internship site through the career center.
For students in the EOHS concentration, the concentration
track advisor works with students to identify an
appropriate internship placement with the student's
current employer or another organization, but the MPH
internship coordinator oversees the internship and
assesses the student's performance. The university's
Center for Internships and Community Engagement
primarily ensures that contractual agreements are in place
with all internship sites.
In the last year, students have completed internships at
sites such as the following: Orange County Mosquito and
Vector Control District; TitanWell; St. Jude Medical Center;
Latino Health Access; Community Action Partnership of
Orange County; and the Orange County Asian and Pacific
Islander Community Alliance.
During the site visit, internship preceptors confirmed that
program expectations were very clear and that projects
completed by students were beneficial to their
organizations. One preceptor acknowledged that his
organization did not have the staff time and expertise for

program evaluation and highly valued students' ability to	
provide that service through their internships.	
Site visitors reviewed 13 student portfolios and found that	
students developed at least two work products that	
demonstrated learning objectives or competencies and	
were useful to the practice site. Examples of work	
products included the following: quantitative and	
qualitative data analysis reports; health education	
materials related to diabetes self-management	
infographics; questionnaires; maps of epidemiological	
distributions; and an evaluation of quality control	
operations of a clinical laboratory.	
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Reviewers had access to five samples each from the HPDP	
and EOHS concentrations and three from the	
gerontological health concentration.	
The concern relates to the lack of evidence of appropriate	
applied practice experiences that align with this criterion.	
The program provided reviewers with two competency-	
based examples. The program acknowledged that it was	
slow to incorporate competencies in the practice	
experience due to a misunderstanding of the expectations	
and instead required students to develop at least five	
learning objectives based on their career goals and the	
needs of the internship site. With a new internship	
coordinator in place, the program revised the student	
handbook and the PUBH 595 syllabus in spring 2020 to	
reflect the requirement that at least five foundational	
competencies must be addressed.	
competencies must be addressed.	

## D6. DRPH APPLIED PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Not Applicable	2		

#### D7. MPH INTEGRATIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Students complete project explicitly		Students have the option to choose from three integrative	Click here to enter text.	
designed to demonstrate synthesis		learning experiences: a comprehensive examination, a		
of foundational & concentration		project, or a thesis paper to demonstrate the synthesis of		
competencies		foundational and concentration competencies.		
Project occurs at or near end of				
program of study		For the project or thesis, students work with faculty to		
Students produce a high-quality		select foundational and concentration-specific		
written product		competencies suitable to their educational and career		
F		goals. At least one faculty member reviews each student's		
Faculty reviews student project &		selected project or thesis to ensure that the selected		
validates demonstration &		competencies are addressed.		
synthesis of specific competencies				
-,		The comprehensive examination option has two parts, a		
		take home literature review and a single-day, in-person		
		examination. Students are provided with five peer-		
		reviewed articles to develop a synthesis overnight. The in-		
		person examination follows the next day and covers		
		concepts in epidemiology, research methods, and		
		statistics and a concentration specific section. Two faculty		
		members per content area (epidemiology, research		
		methods, and statistics) plus two from the concentration		

grade the comprehensive examination; the student's final	
grade is an average of the concentration area and core	
area scores. The electronic resource file included	
comprehensive exams from 2017-20, exam answer keys,	
and the study guides provided to students.	
Students who choose the project option enroll in PUBH	
597 and work on an individual, tailored project with a	
faculty member. Students are encouraged to identify	
multiple areas of interest centered around selected	
competencies and contact faculty with expertise in those	
areas early in the semester before the project begins.	
Faculty work closely with students during the project	
period until completion. A standard rubric is used to grade	
all projects. The thesis option process is similar to the	
project; however, no student has selected that option in	
the past three years.	
The program has a clear strategy for the integrative	
learning experience projects and outlined the assessment	
methods in the self-study. Sample projects provided in the	
electronic resource file document the various projects.	
Selected ILE project topics include the following: The Role	
of Optimism in Physical and Mental Health Outcomes;	
Improving Breast Health and Breast Cancer Knowledge	
Among Chinese in the Orange County, California	
Community; and Reducing Risk Factors for Breast Cancer	
Among Cambodians: The Change Club Program.	
Students confirmed program and faculty support during	
the project period. Program leaders described a strong	
student-faculty relationship during the concept and	
project development period.	

#### **D8. DRPH INTEGRATIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCE**

Criterion Elements	-	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Finding			
	Not Applicable			

#### D9. PUBLIC HEALTH BACHELOR'S DEGREE GENERAL CURRICULUM

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Not Applicable	2		

#### D10. PUBLIC HEALTH BACHELOR'S DEGREE FOUNDATIONAL DOMAINS

Criterion Elements	Compliance	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Finding			
	Not Applicable			

#### D11. PUBLIC HEALTH BACHELOR'S DEGREE FOUNDATIONAL COMPETENCIES

Criterion Elements	Compliance	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Finding			
	Not Applicable	2		

#### D12. PUBLIC HEALTH BACHELOR'S DEGREE CUMULATIVE AND EXPERIENTIAL ACTIVITIES

Criterion Elements	Compliance	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Finding			

Not Applicable	

#### D13. PUBLIC HEALTH BACHELOR'S DEGREE CROSS-CUTTING CONCEPTS AND EXPERIENCES

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Not Applicable	2		

## D14. MPH PROGRAM LENGTH

Criterion Elements	Compliance	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Finding			
	Met			
MPH requires at least 42 semester		MPH students must successfully complete 42 semester	Click here to enter text.	
credits or equivalent		credits to earn the degree. One credit equals three hours		
		of work per week, which generally translates to one hour		
		in class and two hours of study. MPH courses are typically		
		three credits.		

## D15. DRPH PROGRAM LENGTH

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Not Applicable			

#### D16. BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAM LENGTH

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Not Applicable	2		

#### D17. ACADEMIC PUBLIC HEALTH MASTER'S DEGREES

Criterion Elements	Compliance	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Finding			
	Not Applicable	2		

#### D18. ACADEMIC PUBLIC HEALTH DOCTORAL DEGREES

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Not Applicable			

#### D19. ALL REMAINING DEGREES

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Not Applicable	2		

#### **D20. DISTANCE EDUCATION**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Not Applicable	2		

## E1. FACULTY ALIGNMENT WITH DEGREES OFFERED

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met	1		
Faculty teach & supervise students in areas of knowledge with which they are thoroughly familiar & qualified by the totality of their education & experience Faculty education & experience is appropriate for the degree level (eg, bachelor's, master's) & nature of program (eg, research, practice)		The program has 22 primary instructional (PIF) and two non-primary instructional faculty. All 22 PIF have terminal degrees in their fields of expertise. Nineteen PIF hold the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree; the remaining have earned Doctor of Public Health (DrPH) degrees. One of the two non-PIF holds a PhD, and the other has an MPH and MBA and is a registered nurse (RN). Among the faculty are 13 tenured and nine tenure-track PIF. There are five full professors, eight associate professors, and nine at the assistant professor rank. Program faculty members' qualifications and expertise are appropriate for the program requirements and the nature of employment. Faculty members in the HPDP have training in community health sciences; preventive medicine; public health planning, policy, and design; applied economics; health behavior research; epidemiology; health education; and health services. Those in the EOHS concentration have degrees in environmental health science and policy; environmental health science; and epidemiology. Faculty in the gerontological health concentration have training in psychology and social behavior and health services.		

Students reported that faculty expertise and experience	
are appropriate for the core and concentration courses	
that they teach.	

## E2. INTEGRATION OF FACULTY WITH PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Employs faculty who have professional experience in settings outside of academia & have demonstrated competence in public health practice Encourages faculty to maintain ongoing practice links with public health agencies, especially at state & local levels Regularly involves practitioners in instruction through variety of methods & types of affiliation		The program has tenured and tenure-track faculty with professional experience outside of academia, such as director of health education for a student health center, leadership roles with an AIDS education and training center, health programs consultant, positions with the World Bank and World Health Organization, reporter, and psychotherapist. Another faculty member has conducted multiple reviews of legislation under the California Health Benefits Review Program. During the site visit, faculty expressed having strong support from the university and their department to maintain a broad range of public health practice ties as part of the department's commitment to faculty service.		
		The program also integrates perspectives from the current field of practice primarily by using adjunct faculty and guest lecturers and primary faculty members' ongoing links with public health agencies. For example, the regional director of community health investment for a health care system teaches PUBH 524: Public Health Administration. In addition, two part-time lecturers who work in the field of occupational and environmental health teach PUBH 461: Occupational Health and Safety.		

The self-study provides numerous examples of courses	
that include guest lectures by public health practitioners.	
In PUBH 501, an employee of the Orange County Health	
Care Agency shares epidemiology data to examine how	
Orange County residents fare compared with California	
and the United States. A geriatrician provides a guest	
lecture in the Health Promotion and Aging course about	
risky alcohol use in older adults. In PUBH 424, the director	
of behavioral health care for LA Care has lectured about	
the public mental health system in Los Angeles County,	
and students take a field trip to Fullerton City Hall to meet	
with the director of Fullerton Parks and Recreation and	
learn about local city health programs.	
Students also work with practice-based organizations	
through their courses. For example, students work with	
the American Heart Association of Orange County to	
collect data on social determinants of heart health in	
PUBH 411: Promoting Health in Diverse Populations and	
in PUBH 481: Health in a Global Society.	

## E3. FACULTY INSTRUCTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Systems in place to document that		The program has established systems, policies, and	Click here to enter text	
all faculty are current in areas of		procedures to promote faculty currency and professional		
instructional responsibility		development. The program follows the university's policy		
Systems in place to document that		on tenure and promotion, and the department's		
all faculty are current in pedagogical		personnel committee reviews the standards annually.		
methods				

Establishes & consistently applies	Instructional effectiveness for all faculty is assessed	
procedures for evaluating faculty	through anonymous course evaluations. Students	
competence & performance in	complete course evaluations at the end of each semester.	
instruction	The department chair reviews the evaluations and meets	
Supports professional development	with faculty to discuss. Faculty identified as needing	
& advancement in instructional	improvement are mentored and sometimes referred to	
effectiveness for all faculty	the Faculty Development Center for additional assistance.	
	Instructional effectiveness is also monitored through	
	individual faculty teaching performance summaries, peer	
	evaluations, student grade evaluations, instructional	
	material assessments, evidence of professional	
	development, and informal comments from students.	
	The Faculty Development Center supports teaching,	
	research, and service efforts of faculty by providing	
	regular trainings and workshops. The university's	
	information technology services provide equipment and	
	technical assistance to support instruction and research	
	on-campus and remotely. The college supports faculty	
	development through the annual retreat with a session on	
	teaching/instructional effectiveness.	
	Selected indicators for tracking faculty instructional	
	quality include faculty currency in relation to scholarship,	
	participation in professional development activities, and	
	use of grading rubrics. The department chair and the MPH	
	Assessment committee review faculty annual scholarship	
	and conference attendance data. Faculty instructional	
	technique include the participation in professional	
	development activities including retreats. These activities	
	are offered in-person and online. MPH faculty received	
	training to improve on their grading rubrics. The selected	
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### E4. FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Policies & practices in place to support faculty involvement in scholarly activities Faculty are involved in research & scholarly activity, whether funded or unfunded Type & extent of faculty research aligns with mission & types of degrees offered Faculty integrate their own experiences with scholarly activities into instructional activities Students have opportunities for involvement in faculty research & scholarly activities		The program has policies to support faculty involvement in diverse scholarly activities. Faculty engage with students by incorporating their scholarly activities into coursework and through facilitating independent study projects. For example, faculty have integrated their research projects into courses such as Transdisciplinary Perspectives on HIV/AIDS, Advanced Methods in Epidemiology, Statistical Methods in Health Sciences, and Research Methods in Health Sciences. Research knowledge transferred into instruction include the completion of IRB applications; designing, drafting, and using interview guides and questionaries; and data entry and analysis. Faculty use their own data, proposals, and published articles in their teaching. Support for research and scholarly activities come from the university, college, department, and other entities. Faculty take advantage of university travel support, sabbatical leave, and awards to fund their scholarly endeavors. The Office of Research and Development and the Office of Grants and Contracts provide training, consultation services, and guidance in proposal preparation, including the administration of grants. The Auxiliary Services Corporation and the University Advancement offices also provide grant support services.	Click here to enter text.	

The College of Health and Human Development provides course release time of three units per semester for the first four semesters to new faculty to allow for additional course preparation time and promote achievement of research and scholarship obligations. The college oversees ten research centers and two institutes. These units support faculty and student engagement activities. Students have access to the CSU Fullerton Titan Research Gateway, which compiles a list of student research funding opportunities. Students are eligible to apply for grants ranging between \$2100 and \$400 for research travel or other related expenses. Research workshops are also provided. Students and faculty participate in Research Week and display their projects to the campus community and partners. During the site visit, faculty and students spoke to the strong research opportunities. Students made oral or poster presentations at the 2020 Virtual APHA Conference. Some projects have resulted in accepted
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manuscripts. Students' involvement in faculty research
and scholarship activities include literature review, survey
design, data collection and management, data analysis,
report writing, and presentation. Students' involvement
in the California State Health Insurance Report was highly
praised by faculty.
The program selected three outcome measures to track
success in this area. The program aims to have ten articles
written by faculty published in peer-reviewed journals, 15
faculty presentations at professional meetings, and 75%
of faculty instructing a graduate student in independent

within the past three years for the first two outcome	
measures and is still working to consistently meet the	
mentorship goal. The MPH Assessment Committee will	
continue to monitor this area.	

## E5. FACULTY EXTRAMURAL SERVICE

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Defines expectations for faculty extramural service Faculty are actively engaged with the community through communication, consultation, provision of technical assistance & other means		The department's personnel standards require faculty to participate in appropriate professional, university, and community service activities. Faculty members are expected to participate in a broad range of campus activities and in external community activities. During the site visit, the department chair stressed the emphasis placed on faculty service for decisions on faculty promotion and tenure. Faculty specifically cited the specificity of the service requirement in the personnel standards. Faculty who met with site visitors remarked that the program's service requirement reflects its values and that they felt that their service was rewarded and valued, and their success was encouraged by fellow faculty. The program's faculty complement is actively engaged in extramural service and incorporates this work into courses to benefit students. A faculty member works with the Southern California Earthquake Center to evaluate its Great ShakeOut Earthquake drills and has students analyze the resulting data in PUBH 508: Statistics. Another faculty member has been involved in the evaluation of	Click here to enter text.	

cigarette butt cleanups on the CSU Fullerton campus and	
has discussed this effort in PUBH 500: Issues in Public	
Health. Faculty in environmental health have worked with	
students to support the Inland Empire Waterkeeper,	
which focuses on the health of the Santa Ana river and	
surrounding communities. Another faculty member is	
chair of the City of Fullerton's Community Development	
Citizen's Committee and on the advisory board of the	
Insure the Uninsured Project and incorporates those	
perspectives during instruction and project advising.	
The department has identified three measures for faculty	
service: percent of faculty participating in extramural	
service activities; number of faculty-student service	
collaborations; and number of community-based service	
projects. For AY 2019-2020, 89% of faculty participated in	
extramural service; there were 16 faculty-student service	
collaborations; and there were 13 community-based	
service projects.	

## F1. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN SCHOOL/PROGRAM EVALUATION & ASSESSMENT

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Engages with community		The program uses a Community Advisory Board (CAB) for	Please see narratives in B3, B4 and	
stakeholders, alumni, employers &		formal constituent feedback. Members represent	B5. See Attachment B4_3 for a	
other relevant community partners.		important sectors such as local non-profits and healthcare	diagram of evalution data collection	
Does not exclusively use data from		agencies. The current board includes eight members, and	and assessment.	
supervisors of student practice		the program faculty stated that they intend to double the		
experiences		size in the near future. The ERF included a copy of the		

Ensures that constituents provide	spring 2020 CAB meeting agenda and presentation slides	
regular feedback on all of these:	used during that meeting. The minutes indicated	
<ul> <li>student outcomes</li> </ul>	discussion of the program's upcoming accreditation and	
curriculum	new MPH concentrations and courses.	
overall planning processes		
<ul> <li>self-study process</li> </ul>	The MPH Program Committee reviews and revises the	
Defines methods designed to	mission, vision, and goals each year during CAB meetings.	
provide useful information &	The CAB has also provided input on the evaluation plan,	
regularly examines methods	the development of the self-study document, and the	
Regularly reviews findings from	assessment of changing practice and research needs.	
constituent feedback		
	Internship supervisors have historically been the	
	program's most successful source of input on student	
	performance. Site supervisors submit an evaluation of the	
	intern's leadership abilities, interpersonal skills, and	
	professional character. The program administered an	
	MPH Alumni Employer Survey over three years ago but	
	was unsatisfied with the low response rate. During the site	
	visit, the program reflected on the need to revise this	
	survey and address the low response rate, but they are	
	still in the early stages of this process. It will be important	
	that the program focus on collecting data that is	
	actionable and useful to the evaluation efforts and future	
	success of the MPH program.	
	While the program has not finalized its plans to revise the	
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	employer survey, it was clear during the site visit that the program is receiving stakeholder feedback on graduates'	
	abilities through other means. For example, a CAB	
	member and employer of graduates shared that she felt	
	the program was receptive to her recommendation that a	
	greater emphasis be placed on program planning; she was	
	invited to teach an elective course on the topic. Another	
	CAB member suggested the need for more rigor in areas	

such as budgeting and management and said he felt his feedback was well taken.	
Recent MPH alumni confirmed strong and continuing connections with program faculty. For example, an alumna said that the program values the perspectives and input offered by alumni and that she still feels connected to the program despite graduating several years ago.	

## F2. STUDENT INVOLVEMENT IN COMMUNITY & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Makes community & professional service opportunities available to all students Opportunities expose students to contexts in which public health work is performed outside of an academic setting &/or the importance of learning & contributing to professional advancement of the field		The program publicizes service opportunities through a variety of means. Faculty post service opportunities on the program's Moodle portal and communicate activities via the MPH student representative. Faculty also encourage students to join Eta Sigma Gamma, the national health education honorary, The program lists several opportunities that public health students have participated in, including presenting at APHA, attending a policy conference, and participating in community service activities. Students have presented at APHA roundtables in 2018 and 2020, assisted in the writing of a manuscript published in the International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health on the correlates of health literacy among farmers in Thailand, and attended the CSU Health Science Policy Conference in 2018 and 2019. Students have also been		
		involved in service activities such as The Great ShakeOut earthquake drills; the ERF presented two posters created		

by students assessing how the drills have impacted participants.	
Site visitors asked students how well they felt the program accommodated their work schedules, since most students work full-time during the day, and students felt that they were still able to participate in service activities when they wanted to. The program has self-identified the challenge in identifying service opportunities that match students' schedules as an area for future improvement.	

## F3. ASSESSMENT OF THE COMMUNITY'S PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT NEEDS

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Partially Met			
Defines a professional community		The program seeks to provide professional development	In response to the committee's	
or communities of interest & the		opportunities to the public health workforce of Orange	concerns regarding workforce	
rationale for this choice		County. This group was chosen because the program is in	professional development needs,	
Periodically assesses the		Orange County and most students live and ultimately	please see narratives in B3, B4 and	
professional development needs of		accept full-time positions in the county.	B5 regarding the revamped MPH	
individuals in priority community or			Assessment Committee. The	
communities		The program relies on its Community Advisory Board to	committee will be gathering input	
		assess the needs of the public health workforce. The	from the MPH Alumni (Attachment	
		advisory board meets two times per year, and members	B4_2) and MPH Employer survey	
		are expected to serve for at least two years to promote	(will be drafted and implemented in	
		institutional memory and consistency. The program	May) in addition to the Community	
		recently reconstituted the advisory board, and one	Advisory Board to address	
		meeting has taken place since then, in spring 2020.	workforce development needs.	
		Although the meeting was conducted virtually due to the	Please see Attachment B4_3 for a	
		COVID-19 pandemic, the program said it was a productive	diagram of evaluation data	
		conversation. The program intended to deploy a new	collection and assessment.	
		online survey to collect input from the advisory board but		

was unable due to competing priorities to shift to online	
learning because of the pandemic.	
The first concern relates to the program's lack of	
assessment data that truly reflect the needs of the defined	
community of interest, as required by this criterion. The	
program's queries and surveys of stakeholders focused on	
what the program could better do to prepare its students.	
The program has identified eight skills that will benefit	
students in their careers, but these are skills that program	
leaders intend to incorporate into the MPH curriculum,	
rather than areas in which the program can provide	
programming to current community stakeholders.	
The second concern relates to the lack of a process of	
tracking and re-assessing the needs of the identified	
communities. Program faculty maintain strong	
relationships with partner organizations and academic	
institutions; however, there is no method to collect	
insights and record them for use in evaluating needs and	
developing programming in response. While informal data	
collection is acceptable, there must also be methods in	
place to ensure that data are collected and reviewed.	

## F4. DELIVERY OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WORKFORCE

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met with Com	mentary		
Provides activities that address		The program delivers professional development to the	In response to the committee's	
professional development needs &		community through one mechanism. The program has	concerns regarding workforce	
are based on assessment results		provided a public health certificate program in conjunction	development activities, the program	
described in Criterion F3		with the Orange County Health Care Agency to the	now has a better understanding of	

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agency's current employees. Individuals enrolled in this	_	
program complete four public health courses to earn the	for. The program is enthusiastic	
certificate and have the option to count those courses	about the prospect of providing	
toward earning an MPH degree. In its last administration	seminars/ worshops on topcis such	
in 2018, the certificate program enrolled approximately 14	as grant writing, program	
students.	evaluation, understanding the	
	intersection of race and public	
The commentary relates to the minimal evidence of	health, public health leadership	
workforce development activities based on findings from	skills, etc. As stated in section F3, the	
Criterion F3. The public health certificate program was the	MPH Assessment Committee will be	
only clear example provided and it has not been offered in	gathering input from the MPH	
two years. Additional examples mentioned during the site	Alumni (Attachment B4_2) and MPH	
visit better demonstrate the program's commitment to	Employer survey (will be drafted and	
service, rather than workforce development. For example,	implemented in May) in addition to	
faculty and students led a focus group to assist with the	the Community Advisory Board to	
assessment of an existing breast cancer navigation	address workforce development	
program at a local non-profit organization. The purpose	needs. Please see Attachment B4_3	
was to identify the strengths of the current navigation	for a diagram of evaluation data	
program and opportunities for improvement.	collection and assessment.	

## **G1. DIVERSITY & CULTURAL COMPETENCE**

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Defines appropriate priority		The program has identified underrepresented populations	Click here to enter text.	
population(s)		of interest and outlines goals and strategies related to		
Identifies goals to advance diversity		these groups.		
& cultural competence, as well as				
strategies to achieve goals				

Looming on the present management	The entering accordance to have been to	
Learning environment prepares	The priority populations include historically	
students with broad competencies	underrepresented racial and ethnic minorities, specifically	
regarding diversity & cultural	African Americans, Pacific Islanders, Southeast Asians, and	
competence	Hispanics or Chicanos/Latinos. The program has adopted	
Identifies strategies and actions	two goals to increase representation, persistence, and	
that create and maintain a	success of its identified populations. The goals were	
culturally competent environment	adopted from the College of Health and Human	
Practices support recruitment,	Development Strategic Plan and are to foster an inclusive	
retention, promotion of faculty	environment; and recruit, support, and retain high quality	
(and staff, if applicable), with	and culturally diverse faculty and staff.	
attention to priority population(s)		
Practices support recruitment,	The self-study lists strategies the program uses to promote	
retention, graduation of diverse	inclusivity and foster a welcoming environment to enrich	
students, with attention to priority	student learning and promote retention. It hosts social	
population(s)	events like the MPH Meet and Greet, Holiday Party, Alumni	
Regularly collects & reviews	Event, and Hooding Event, and encourages participation in	
quantitative & qualitative data &	the College-level peer mentoring program and the use of	
uses data to inform & adjust	the Student Success Center.	
strategies		
Perceptions of climate regarding	The program incorporates diversity, equity, and cultural	
diversity & cultural competence are	competence into its core curriculum and has invited guest	
positive	lecturers from diverse backgrounds to speak in program	
positive	classes. Courses including Advanced Study in Program	
	Planning and Evaluation; HPDP; and Advanced Methods in	
	Epidemiology contain units on these topics. During the site	
	visit, a faculty member discussed a project that centered	
	on developing a culturally appropriate survey and	
	intervention with a Latinx focus.	
	To promote inclusivity in support of its goals concerning	
	faculty and staff, the program promotes university-wide	
	trainings and workshops on cultural competence offered	
	regularly by the Faculty Development Center and the	
	Diversity Initiatives and Resources Center. The department	

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chair mentors newly hired tenure-track faculty during their	
first year, and the program publicly recognizes and awards	
faculty and staff accomplishments. The program complies	
with the campus Division of Human Resources, Diversity,	
and Inclusion's guidance on recruiting and retaining high-	
qualified and diverse faculty and staff. Department faculty	
serve on the College Diversity and Culture of Inclusion Task	
Force and participate in Community Advisory Board	
meetings.	
Cultural competence and diversity results included in the	
self-study indicate that 100% of students surveyed believe	
that the program values diverse individuals and	
communities. All respondents (n=11) indicated that the	
program teaches students to recognize that cultural	
differences affect all aspects of health and the health	
system. Seventy three percent of respondents reported	
that the MPH program encourages students to reflect on	
their own cultural biases, and 90% indicated that the	
program helps students develop cultural competence.	
During the site visit, students said that they felt that the	
program valued diversity. One student said, "I never found	
myself alone in terms of diversity on a faculty and student	
level." Another student said that CSU Fullerton's status as	
a Hispanic Serving Institution was influential in her decision	
to enroll.	
One hundred percent of faculty respondents (n=13) agreed	
that the program values diverse individuals and	
communities, and 77% agreed that the program teaches	
students to recognize that cultural differences affect all	
aspects of health and the health system. About 60% of	
faculty agreed that the program encourages students to	

reflect on their own cultural biases and 69% agreed that	
the program helps students develop cultural competence.	
The program has concentrated its recruitment efforts on	
enrolling more students from the priority populations and	
participates in several targeted recruitment fairs. The	
program was successful in recruiting 19 Hispanic/Latino	
students and six African American students over a three-	
year period. It recognizes the need to focus its recruitment	
efforts on the other identified racial/ethnic populations	
and cites gaps in data collection as an obstacle that the	
program, college, and university are working to address.	
The program recognizes its impact and capitalizes on the	
community's diversity in its recruitment efforts. Website	
information depicts the program's and university's	
diversity and has been a great draw for new students. The	
program has a very diverse faculty that is representative of	
the local population. Students who met with site visitors	
indicated that they feel very welcome knowing that they	
have classmates and faculty from similar backgrounds.	

## H1. ACADEMIC ADVISING

Criterion Elements	Compliance	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Finding			
	Met			
Students have ready access to		The MPH program advisor provides academic advising to	Click here to enter text.	
advisors from the time of		all students. Academic advising begins with a welcome		
enrollment		letter to admitted students that provides information		
Advisors are actively engaged &		about registration and preparation for the first semester.		
knowledgeable about the curricula		New students attend an in-person orientation prior to the		

& about specific courses & programs	first week of classes. During the orientation, students	
of study	learn about the program's guiding statements; university	
Qualified individuals monitor	policies governing graduate programs and students; and	
student progress & identify and	the MPH curriculum and internship. Students also take a	
support those who may experience	campus tour.	
difficulty		
Orientation, including written	A key role of the program advisor is to work with the	
guidance, is provided to all entering	student to establish and approve the student's course of	
students	study, which serves as the contract between the student	
	and university for meeting degree requirements. The	
	MPH program advisor is responsible for monitoring	
	student progress, with the support of the Graduate	
	Studies Office, and identifying those who may experience	
	difficulty progressing.	
	The MPH program advisor also is the instructor of the	
	introductory course PUBH 500: Issues in Public Health,	
	which all students take during their first semester. The	
	course provides additional opportunities to ensure that	
	expectations are clear, and questions are answered. The	
	program advisor visits a core class every semester to	
	review relevant policies and procedures and to answer	
	questions from students. The program advisor also	
	ensures that all faculty know what is expected of students.	
	Students can meet with the MPH program advisor during	
	posted office hours (three hours per week) to discuss	
	advising issues in a one-on-one setting. During the site	
	visit, students reported easy access by email to the	
	program advisor.	
	Beginning with fall 2020, the program has assigned a	
	faculty mentor to each to incoming student. The mentor's	
	role is to be a more personal contact for the student with	
	a focus on guiding the whole person through the	

academic environment. During the site visit, students	
confirmed ready access to the program advisor and many	
other faculty in the department. They noted that faculty	
reach out to them. One student commented that she feels	
comfortable contacting faculty about any needs or	
questions. Another student mentioned that there is	
connection and communication with faculty and "they are	
listening and encouraging." Another student valued the	
diverse faculty and appreciated that some of them had	
been like her as the first-generation in her family to go to	
college.	
The self-study indicates that students are mostly satisfied	
with the academic advising they receive. When asked	
whether the MPH program advisor was responsive to	
questions and needs, 88%, 75%, and 83% agreed or	
strongly agreed in the last three years. When asked	
whether the MPH program advisor was an accessible and	
knowledgeable resource, 92%, 79%, and 83% agreed or	
strongly agreed. The current MPH program advisor has	
been in the role for two years, and the program explains	
that student satisfaction dropped during his first year as	
he grew familiar with expectations; satisfaction is now	
increasing.	
The self-study acknowledges that the workload for a	
single individual serving as program advisor can be heavy	
and can create bottlenecks when disseminating	
information and processing administrative paperwork.	
COVID-19 has facilitated the electronic submission of	
administrative paperwork, which the program hopes will	
better streamline the process throughout the university.	
The MPH Program Committee plans to evaluate the	
switch to electronic processing in spring 2021.	

## H2. CAREER ADVISING

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Students have access to qualified advisors who are actively engaged & knowledgeable about the workforce & can provide career placement advice Variety of resources & services are available to current students Variety of resources & services are		The program provides career advising through courses, the internship, and other extracurricular activities. Students take PUBH 500: Issues in Public Health in the first semester of the program and are introduced to the career services available from the CSU Fullerton Career Planning and Placement Center. The center offers workshops on resume writing, interviewing, social media, and career networking, and has a searchable job database. During	Click here to enter text.	
available to alumni		the site visit, all students who met with site visitors reported taking advantage of workshops and services provided by the career center. COVID-19 has curtailed in-person career activities, but the program had hosted an MPH Meet and Greet each fall to facilitate networking between students and alumni. Each spring, there has been an additional networking event where MPH alumni could share their perspectives and strategies for getting the most out of the graduate program and finding employment as a public health professional.		
		The program considers career advising to be an important element of students' internship placements. The MPH internship coordinator meets with students individually to select an appropriate site that will allow them to develop individualized learning objectives that support the desired career path. The program also encourages students to use		

	guidance.	
	All MPH faculty maintain office hours during which students may contact them for advice about coursework, research, community service activities, and career advising. Students reported receiving frequent emails from the program advisor and other faculty about job opportunities.	
	The self-study gives examples of career advising provided to students and alumni in the last three years. The MPH program advisor has provided career advising to four students during regular office hours. A faculty member offered a student advice about applying to doctoral programs during ILE advising. Another faculty member met with a program graduate at the APHA annual meeting and spoke at length about careers in public health and doctoral programs. Students reported that the program and faculty are very responsive in providing letters of reference when needed.	
	Based on data presented in the self-study, students have expressed lower satisfaction with career advising compared with academic advising. Only 67%, 58%, and 75% agreed or strongly agreed that the program provided useful information about jobs in public health. The program collects this information when students submit their APE portfolios, which ensures a high response rate. Data for the most recent year are still incomplete because some students were still finishing the APE.	
	During the site visit, faculty and alumni noted that historically the last semester of the student's experience	

their internship site supervisors as a resource for career

had been focused on the APE and ILE. The result was less	
time on campus and less structured contact with students	
in the last semester. The program has moved the APE to	
the end of the first year. One expected outcome of the	
change is that students will have more structured time on	
campus during the last semester for easier access to	
career services and faculty to discuss career options. The	
program plans to expand its career advising efforts during	
students' last semester on campus.	

#### H3. STUDENT COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Defined set of policies & procedures govern formal student complaints & grievances		The university has clear policies in place related to student complaints, and students have multiple avenues to seek resolution. Students are encouraged to discuss concerns		
Procedures are clearly articulated & communicated to students		and grievances with the instructor involved as a first step. If the complaint cannot be resolved, then the student		
Depending on the nature & level of each complaint, students are encouraged to voice concerns to unit officials or other appropriate personnel		meets with the MPH program advisor and the department chair, if needed. The chair instructs students on how to file a formal complaint beyond the department in accordance with the process described in the university catalog. The university and department websites include links to the university policy statement and the university student		
Designated administrators are charged with reviewing & resolving formal complaints		handbook, which address the policies and procedures for types of grievances and problems that students may encounter.		
All complaints are processed & documented		The formal complaint process involves the assistant dean of student affairs in the College of Health and Human Development. This individual determines next steps, such		

as referring the student to the Title IX coordinator if the complaint relates to discrimination or harassment, or to the dean of students if the complaint relates to an academic issue like unfair grading.	
The self-study states that the program has not had any formal complaints in the last three years. During the site visit, one student reported using the informal process to address and have resolution on an issue related to coursework.	
Students were knowledgeable about the complaint process. Students also discussed the Title IX office and the student body organizations as avenues for seeking help and addressing complaints.	

## H4. STUDENT RECRUITMENT & ADMISSIONS

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			l
Implements recruitment policies		The program focuses its recruitment efforts on	Click here to enter text.	
designed to locate qualified		underrepresented individuals, local health care agency		
individuals capable of taking		personnel, community health educators, and recent		
advantage of program of study &		bachelor's degree graduates exhibiting strong experience		
developing competence for public		and interest in public health. The program benefits from		
health careers		informal marketing channels such as word-of-mouth and		
Implements admissions policies		outreach from its alumni network. Additional methods for		
designed to select & enroll qualified		increasing program visibility include campus community		
individuals capable of taking		forums and trainings provided by the program and		
advantage of program of study &		department; banners and booths at job fairs, graduate		
developing competence for public		degree fairs, and conferences; program information		
health careers		sessions held twice each fall; and MPH announcement		

boards in a building that houses many undergraduate		
courses and community and sporting events with heavy		
foot traffic. The program also attracts students through a		
certificate program offered to employees of the Orange		
County Health Care Agency. Upon completion, graduates		
have the option to matriculate into the MPH program.		
To apply to the MPH program, prospective students are		
expected to hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited		
institution with at least a 2.5 GPA in the last 60 credits		
attempted and a cumulative GPA of 2.7 or higher. It is		
expected that applicants have completed six credits of		
statistics and research methods with a grade of B or better.		
Applicants must also submit their GRE scores, two letters		
of recommendation, a statement of purpose and answers		
to supplemental questions, and evidence of educational		
and career, volunteer, or internship experience in the		
applicant's preferred track. Applicants whose native		
language is not English must submit TOEFL scores, and the		
MPH Admissions Committee and a representative from		
the university's American Language Program meets with		
the applicant to determine whether the applicant's career		
interests, oral communication, and writing skills are		
appropriate for admission to the MPH program.		
The MPH Admissions Committee reviews all MPH		
applications and makes recommendations to the MPH		
program advisor and department chair. Applications are		
randomly distributed to committee members and scored		
holistically using a rubric. Undergraduate GPA, work		
experience, and GRE test scores account for 70% of the		
potential score. Each application is independently		
reviewed by two committee members, and the average		
score is used to rank each applicant. The program offers		
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admission to the most highly qualified applicants until the	
target cohort size of 25-30 students is reached.	
To assess its success in enrolling a qualified student body,	
the program tracks GRE writing scores of accepted	
students and the percentage of admitted students with	
previous public health-related experience. The program	
seeks to admit at least 90% of students with GRE writing	
scores of 3.0 or better. In the last three years, the program	
reached 89%, 88%, and 98%. The program also seeks to	
admit at least 70% of students with previous relevant work	
experience. In the last three years, the program achieved	
54%, 61%, and 75%. These measures and target thresholds	
appear appropriate and meaningful to the program.	

#### H5. PUBLICATION OF EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS

Criterion Elements	Compliance Finding	Team's Evidence for Compliance Finding	School/Program Response	Council Comments
	Met			
Catalogs & bulletins used to describe educational offerings are publicly available		The program has clear and publicly available information on MPH educational offerings. Students can access information about admissions guidelines, grading policies,	Click here to enter text.	
Catalogs & bulletins accurately describe the academic calendar, admissions policies, grading policies, academic integrity standards & degree completion requirements		academic integrity standards, financial planning, and academic calendars via dedicated webpages and student handbooks. All information reviewed by site visitors was current and accurate.		
Advertising, promotional & recruitment materials contain accurate information				

# AGENDA Council on Education for Public Health Site Visit Agenda CSU Fullerton Master of Public Health Program

## Wednesday, November 11, 2020

2:00 pm PDT, 3:00 pm MDT, 4:00 pm CDT, 5:00 pm EDT Site Visit Team Executive Session 1

## Thursday, November 12, 2020

8:45 am PDT, 9:45 am MDT, 10:45 am CDT, 11:45 am EDT Site Visit Team Executive Session 2

9:15 am PDT, 10:15 am MDT, 11:15 am CDT, 12:15 pm EDT			
Program Evaluation			
Participants	Topics on which participants are prepared to answer team questions		
Joshua Yang, PhD – Professor & MPH Program Advisor, Jasmeet Gill, PhD – Associate Professor & MPH Accreditation Chair Michele Wood, PhD – Professor & Department Chair	Guiding statements – process of development and review?		
Joshua Yang, PhD – Professor & MPH Program Advisor, Jasmeet Gill, PhD – Associate Professor & MPH Accreditation Chair Michele Wood, PhD – Professor & Department Chair	Evaluation processes – how does program collect and use input/data?		
Michele Wood, PhD – Professor & Department Chair	Resources (personnel, physical, IT) – who determines sufficiency? Acts when additional resources are needed?		
Michele Wood, PhD – Professor & Department Chair	Budget – who develops and makes decisions?		
Total participants: 3			

10:15 am PDT, 11:15 am MDT, 12:15 pm CDT, 1:15 pm EDT Break

10:30 am PDT 11:30 am MDT, 12:30 pm CDT, 1:30 pm EDT	
Curriculum 1	
Participants	Topics on which participants are prepared to answer team questions
Joshua Yang, PhD – Professor & MPH Program Advisor, instructor PUBH 500	Foundational knowledge
and 540	
Michele Wood, PhD – Professor & Department Chair	
Jasmeet Gill, PhD – Associate Professor & MPH Accreditation Chair, instructor	
PUBH 501	
Philip Gedalanga, PhD – Assistant Professor, instructor PUBH 515 & EOHS	
Concentration Lead	
Portia Jackson Preston, PhD –Assistant Professor, future instructor PUBH 535	
Alice Lee, PhD – Assistant Professor, instructor PUBH 510	
Jennifer Piazza, PhD – Associate Professor & GERO Concentration Lead	
Pimbucha Rusmevichientong, PhD – Assistant Professor, instructor PUBH 508	
Joshua Yang, PhD – Professor & MPH Program Advisor, instructor PUBH 500	Foundational competencies – didactic coverage and assessment
and 540	
Michele Wood, PhD – Professor & Department Chair	
Philip Gedalanga, PhD – Assistant Professor, instructor PUBH 515 & EOHS	
Concentration Lead	
Jasmeet Gill, PhD – Associate Professor & MPH Accreditation Chair, instructor	
PUBH 501	
Portia Jackson Preston, PhD –Assistant Professor, future instructor PUBH 535	
Alice Lee, PhD – Assistant Professor, instructor PUBH 510	
Jennifer Piazza, PhD – Associate Professor & GERO Concentration Lead	
Pimbucha Rusmevichientong, PhD – Assistant Professor, instructor PUBH 508	
Joshua Yang, PhD – Professor & MPH Program Advisor, instructor PUBH 500	Concentration competencies – development, didactic coverage, and assessment
and 540, HP/DP Concentration Lead	
Philip Gedalanga, PhD – Assistant Professor, instructor PUBH 515 & EOHS	
Concentration Lead	
Jennifer Piazza, PhD – Associate Professor & GERO Concentration Lead	
Total participants: 8	

# 11:45 am PDT, 12:45 pm MDT, 1:45 pm CDT, 2:45 pm EDT Break

Participants	Topics on which participants are prepared to answer team questions	
Current MPH Students	Student engagement in program operations	
(First year)	Curriculum	
Monica Avila	Resources (physical, faculty/staff, IT)	
Catherine Lapointe	Involvement in scholarship and service	
Regina Merrill	Academic and career advising	
Rienne Medina	Diversity and cultural competence	
	Complaint procedures	
(Second year)		
Afsana Faruqui		
Claudia Pacheco		
Hannah Peterson		
Amy Trinh		
Amy Santos		

1:30 pm PDT, 2:30 pm MDT, 3:30 pm CDT, 4:30 pm EDT Break

1:45 pm PDT, 2:45 pm MDT, 3:45 pm CDT, 4:45 pm EDT		
Curriculum 2 Participants	Topics on which participants are prepared to answer team questions	
Joshua Yang, PhD – Professor & MPH Program Advisor	Applied practice experiences	
Jasmeet Gill, PhD – Associate Professor & MPH Accreditation Chair		
Mojgan Sami, PhD – Assistant Professor & APE Coordinator		

Michele Wood, PhD – Professor & Department Chair	
Joshua Yang, PhD – Professor & MPH Program Advisor	Integrative learning experiences
Jasmeet Gill, PhD – Associate Professor & MPH Accreditation Chair	
Michele Wood, PhD – Professor & Department Chair	
N/A	Public health bachelor's degrees
Joshua Yang, PhD – Professor & MPH Program Advisor	Academic public health degrees
Jasmeet Gill, PhD – Associate Professor & MPH Accreditation Chair	
Michele Wood, PhD – Professor & Department Chair	
N/A	Distance education
Total participants: 4	

2:45 pm PDT, 3:45pm MDT, 4:45pm CDT, 5:45pm EDT Break

3:00 pm PDT, 4:00pm MDT, 5:00pm CDT, 6:00pm EDT		
Instructional Effectiveness		
Participants	Topics on which participants are prepared to answer team questions	
Maria Koleilat, PhD – Associate Professor, Chair of Department Personnel	Currency in areas of instruction & pedagogical methods	
Committee, AY 20-21	Scholarship and integration in instruction	
Shana Charles, PhD – Associate Professor	Extramural service and integration in instruction	
Lilia Espinoza, PhD – Associate Professor	Integration of practice perspectives	
Danny Kim, PhD – Associate Professor	Professional development of community	
Alice Lee, PhD – Assistant Professor, instructor PUBH 510		
Archana McEligot, PhD – Professor		
Jennifer Piazza, PhD – Associate Professor & GERO Concentration Lead		
Pimbucha Rusmevichientong, PhD – Assistant Professor, instructor PUBH 508		
Diana Tisnado, PhD – Professor		
Total participants: 9		

4:00 pm PDT, 5:00 pm MDT, 6:00 pm CDT, 7:00 pm EDT Break

4:15 pm PDT, 5:15 pm MDT, 6:15 pm CDT, 7:15 pm EDT		
Participants	Topics on which participants are prepared to answer team questions	
Community Advisory Board Members	Involvement in program evaluation & assessment	
Amy Buch, MPH	Perceptions of current students & program graduates	
Contact Tracing Manager, COVID-19 Response Team, University	Perceptions of curricular effectiveness	
of California, Irvine	Applied practice experiences	
Vattana Peong, MPH	Integration of practice perspectives	
Director, The Cambodian Family	Program delivery of professional development opportunities	
Barry Ross, RN, MPH, MBA		
Regional Director, Community Health Investment, Providence		
St. Joseph Health, Southern California		
<u>MPH alumni</u>		
Hannah Montgomery, MPH, CHES		
Blended Health & Blended PE Teacher, Elsinore High School, Lake		
Elsinore, CA & part-time lecturer, Department of Public Health		
Claudia Pinedo, MPH		
Community Engagement Coordinator, St. Mary Medical Center		
Kristopher Pratt, MPH,CHES		
Community Engagement Coordinator, Kaiser Permanente		
Bernard J Tyson School of Medicine		
Krupa Shah, MPH		
Assistant Director of Recreation and Wellness, St. Edward's		
University in Austin TX		
Minhxuan Tran, MPH		
Research Associate, UCLA Center for Health Services and Society		
Internship Preceptors		
Vattana Peong, MPH		
Director, The Cambodian Family		
Barry Ross, RN, MPH, MBA		
Regional Director, Community Health Investment, Providence		
St. Joseph Health, Southern California		
Employers of recent graduates		
Genesis Sandoval, MPH		

Public Health Projects Manager, Orange County	
Health Care Agency	
Eric Shearer, MPH	
Senior Epidemiologist, Orange County	
Health Care Agency	
Yolanda Salomon-Lopez,	
Clinical Liaison Supervisor, St. Mary Medical Center	
Total participants: 11	

5:15 pm PDT 6:15pm MDT, 7:15pm CDT, 8:15pm EDT Site Visit Team Executive Session 3

# 5:45 pm PDT 6:45pm MDT, 7:45pm CDT, 8:45pm EDT **Adjourn**

# Friday, November 13, 2020

8:30 am PDT, 9:30am MDT, 10:30am CDT, 11:30am EDT		
University Leaders		
Participants	Topics on which participants are prepared to answer team questions	
Framroze Virjee, JD - University President	Program's position within larger institution	
Laurie Roades, PhD - Dean, College of Health and Human		
Services		
Framroze Virjee, JD - University President	Provision of program-level resources	
Laurie Roades, PhD - Dean, College of Health and Human		
Services		
Framroze Virjee, JD - University President	Institutional priorities	
Laurie Roades, PhD - Dean, College of Health and Human		
Services		
Total participants: 2		

9:15 am PDT, 10:15am MDT, 11:15am CDT, 12:15pm EDT Site Visit Team Executive Session 4 1:00 pm PDT, 2:00pm MDT, 3:00pm CDT, 4:00pm EDT Exit Briefing