PH 203: Introduction to Global Health

Credits: 3

Class Hours: 3 lecture

Prerequisites:

"C" or higher in PH 201.

Description:

This introductory course is designed to introduce students to the global parameters of public health and to begin learning how to apply public health principles to issues and challenges in global public health. Students will learn about the strong linkages between health, economic and social development, as well as disparities in health and related socioeconomic indicators, challenges to public health faced by wealthier countries, and the role of globalization and its impacts on health. Population-based public health interventions to address this wide array of health challenges will be discussed as well, including the role of community-based efforts in improving public health and the need for interdisciplinary and trans-disciplinary approaches to address global health issues.

Semester Offered: Spring

Course Student Learning Outcomes (CSLOs):

- 1. Define and discuss key terms, functions, and core principles of global public health.
- 2. Discuss how the strong links between health, economic and social development affect the health of populations.
- 3. Discuss how disparities in social and economic status adversely affect health status and access to care and how community-based preventative actions affect health status.
- 4. Discuss examples of global health interventions that have effectively addressed long-standing health issues.
- 5. Describe key global health lead organizations and partnerships and discuss how these partnerships work on large-scale global health issues.