

Network

Career Month Offers SPHHS Students Extra Advantages

To give SPHHS students an edge in their professional careers, GW is sponsoring a number of career-related workshops throughout the month. Covering topics from networking to resumé, these sessions balance the knowledge received in the classroom with the professional skills that highlight an SPHHS education. Take advantage of these sessions!

Resumé Rendezvous

What: Resumé Critiques
Where: Ross Hall 221
When: Every Monday and Wednesday afternoon in February. Appointments at 3:00, 3:20 and 3:40 p.m. Appointments are scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis. Call 202-994-0822 for an appointment.

Get the Right Plan for Career Success

What: Michael Rottblatt, senior partner at Korn/Ferry International, will share insights from his 30-year work experience, including first impressions and career expectations.
Where: Marvin Center 307
When: Thursday, Feb. 16, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

International Opportunities

What: A panel presentation discussing private and nonprofit employment opportunities internationally.
Where: Marvin Center 413
When: Wednesday, Feb. 15, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Networking Basics

What: A workshop aimed at developing job leads and building a professional network. Topics include approach, conversational styles, suitable topics of discussion and leaving a positive impression on a potential employer.
Where: Marvin Center 310
When: Thursday, Feb. 16, 6-7 p.m.

Cultural Diversity in Today's Workplace

What: Professional panel discusses everything, from attire, language and hairstyles to the impact of gender and color in the workforce.
Where: Marvin Center 403
When: Wednesday, Feb. 15, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Ace Your Interview

What: A workshop focused on types of possible interview questions and possible interview scenarios.
Where: Marvin Center 405
When: Thursday, Feb. 23, 4-5 p.m.

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THE SPHHS ANNUAL MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION

March 3, 2006 • 6 p.m. • Marvin Center • Continental Ballroom

SPHHS students, faculty and staff are invited to share their "hidden" talents, hobbies and/or time to help produce the annual Multicultural Celebration, featuring food, entertainment, exhibits and more.

If interested, contact Jim Miller at 202-994-5407 or spjwm@gwumc.edu.

Words of Wisdom ...

Public health is a social phenomenon about people, politics and resources. You are embarking on a great career, one in which you must have the passion to make the world a better place. You will need to be professional and think in terms of systems and how you will bring those systems together to address the critical needs of public health.

Rear Admiral W. Craig Vanderwagen, MD, Assistant Surgeon General, speaking to new SPHHS students, January 2006





Charlotte W. Collins, JD, associate professor, HSML and Health Pol, was an invited participant in the Minority Faculty Retreat, held January 30-31 in Albuquerque, New Mexico by the Association of Schools of Public Health.

Kurt Darr, JD, ScD, professor, HSML, was appointed to a three-year term as a Commissioner on the Accreditation Council of the Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education. Dr. Darr also was interviewed by *Monster Learning* about online MBA programs that offer a concentration in health services administration.

Tee Guidotti, MD, MPH, DABT, professor and chair, EOH, was the first invited speaker in a new "webinar" series hosted by the Risk Information Sharing Consortium of the National League of Cities, discussing "disease presumption" in adjudicating workers' compensation claims for municipal employees.

Muhiuddin Haider, PhD, MS, MA, associate professor, Global Hlth, delivered a paper on "Health Communication in Emergencies—What are the Capacity Building Needs?" at the 37th Conference of the Asia-Pacific Academic Consortium for Public Health held in Taipei, Taiwan in November 2005.

Wayne Miller, PhD, MS, professor, Ex Sci, director of the MS program, published his textbook, *Exercise Physiology: Basis of Human Movement in Health & Disease*.

Celeste Monforton, MPH, senior research associate, EOH, has been named to the West Virginia panel investigating the Sago Mine in Upshur County, West Virginia. The panel will examine the root causes of the disaster, evaluate the response efforts, and provide suggestions for mine safety and communications that will prevent such disasters from occurring in the future.

Sara Rosenbaum JD, chair, Hlth Pol, Harold and Jane Hirsh Professor of Health Law and Policy, had a commentary published in the January 25 edition of the *Journal of the American Medical Association* examining weaknesses in the U.S. healthcare system through the lens of Hurricane Katrina.

Eliot Sorel, MD, DLFAPA, professor, Global Hlth, HSML, and Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, was the invited speaker at the First Global Mental Health Forum organized by **Alison Gold** and **Stephanie Hart**, MPH candidates in Global Health Promotion. The Forum addressed current and upcoming mental health and public health challenges and opportunities.

Richard Southby, PhD, MPA, executive dean and Distinguished Professor of Global Hlth, was elected president of the Asia-Pacific Academic Consortium

for Public Health (APACPH) at its 37th Conference held in Taipei, Taiwan in November 2005.

Coming Events

- **Feb. 9:** Epidemiology and Biostatistics Research Seminar series continues with guest speaker Ka He, MD, ScD, Department of Preventive Medicine, Northwestern University. He will present *Fish Consumption and Risk of Strokes* at 11:30 a.m. in Ross Hall 105.
- **Feb. 16:** Health Policy will host a brown bag lunch discussion of Vermont Medicaid's block grant program. David Reynolds, this year's Geiger-Gibson Distinguished Visitor, will participate in the discussion as chair of Vermont's Medicaid Advisory Board.
- **Feb. 22:** Connecting for Health Literacy, 9 a.m.-noon, RSVP to kpomeran@gwu.edu.
- **Feb. 24:** Epidemiology and Biostatistics Research Seminar series continues with Heather Young, PhD, GW SPHHS Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics. She will present *Evaluating Cancer Risks in Gulf War Veterans: A Pilot Study of Matching Cancer Registry with Gulf War Era Veterans Data* at 11 a.m. Room to be announced.
- Students from the GW Schools of Public Health and Health Services, Medicine and Law have collaborated to organize a conference on Saturday, **March 4** about pressing issues in the field of reproductive rights. Topics include intersections of race and population control, violence against women, access to sex education and the impact of HIV/AIDS on reproductive rights. Early bird registration of \$5 is due **Friday Feb. 17**. Onsite registration costs \$7. The conference runs from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Ross Hall. Go to www.gwu.edu/~med08/reprorights.htm for a registration form.
- **March 7:** Prevention and Community Health will host an HIV/AIDS continuing education meeting on March 7 at Circle Bistro. Registration and a light dinner will start at 6 p.m. A presentation by Dr. Joel Gallant and a panel discussion will take place from 7-9 p.m. This meeting is designed specifically for physicians and other healthcare professionals involved in the primary care of HIV-infected patients. Contact Sarah Nicholls-Sharp at hsmsan@gwumc.edu or 202-416-0071 for registration materials.

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Save the Date.....

- **March 31**, 11th Annual GW Research Day, Poster Presentations at the Continental Ballroom in the Marvin Center; keynote and student speakers featured in Ross Hall, Room 101.
- **April 5**, The Metropolitan Washington Public Health Association Annual Conference. Details to follow.

Did you know ...

Results of a multicenter study published in the *New England Journal of Medicine* showed that intensive therapy that provides improved glucose control has long-term beneficial effects on the incidence of CVD complications in Type 1 diabetes.

The **GW Biostatistics Center** served as the Data Coordinating Center for the study; **John Lachin**, ScD, professor, EpiBio, was the Principal Investigator.