



Division of Academic and Student Affairs

2015-2016 ANNUAL REPORT

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Name of Unit: School Of Public Health (Initiative)

Mission: The Mission Of The Jackson State University School Of Public Health (Initiative) Is To Prepare Public Health Leaders And To Improve The Health Of Populations In The State Of Mississippi, The Nation And The World Through Evidence-Based And Community-Oriented Teaching, Research And Service.

Introductions: As The School Organizational Charts (See Appendix A) Indicates, The School Has Four Departments (Behavioral And Environmental Health, Communicative Disorders, Epidemiology/Biostatistics, And Health Policy And Management), One Program (Healthcare Administration) And Three Centers (Center For Excellence Minority Health And Health Disparities, Graduate Training And Education Center, And The Jackson Heart Study). The School Has More Than 650 Students And 40 Full And Part-Time Academic Professionals.

Major Goals: 1) Sustain The Nurturing Environment That Exists In The Jackson State University School Of Public Health, 2) Faculty Will Demonstrate A Commitment To Excellence, 3) To Improve Health Equity And Promote Social Justice, 4) To Interpret Scientific Research Findings Into Language That Can Be Understood And Utilized By The Community; 5) To Recruit And Retain Diverse Faculty Members In The School Of Public Health At Jsu, 6) To Provide Excellent Educational Programs That Enhance Critical And Analytical Skills, 7) To Transform Public Health Issues Through Policy Development, 8) To Provide Effective Mentorship For Students, And 9) In Order To Be More Visible Within The Community, The Jsu School Of Public Health Faculty, Staff And Students Will Write Grants In Partnership With A Community Or Communities With The Aim Of Eliminating Health Disparities.

I. MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

TEACHING:

Undergraduate Program Healthcare Administration:

Fall 2015 - Taught 13 Traditional Courses And 10 Online Courses.

Average Enrollment Per Traditional Course = 46; Average Enrollment Per Online Course = 20.

Spring 2016 - Taught 12 Traditional Courses And 10 Online Courses.

Average Enrollment Per Traditional Course = 43; Average Enrollment Per Online Course = 21.

Fall 2014 Enrollment Was 334 And Fall 2015 Was 407. Comparing Fall 2014 To Fall 2015, We Experienced An Increase Of 73 Students, Or 21.85%. Online Degree Student Enrollment Might Have Played A Role In This Increase In Enrollments.

Communicative Disorders Undergraduate Program:

8 Courses Taught In Fall 2015; Average Class Size = 30 Students;

Courses Taught In Spring 2016; Average Class Size = 27; Average Grade Point Average For Undergraduate Juniors = 3.27 (Range =

2.20-3.94); Average Grade Point Average For Undergraduate Seniors = 3.181 (Range = 2.54-3.88)

Communicative Disorders Graduate Program:

11 Courses Taught In Fall 2015; Average Class Size = 17 Students;

13 Courses Taught In Spring 2016; Average Class Size = 15 Students;

Average Grade Point Average For First Year Graduate Students = 3.47 (Range = 2.50-4.00); Average Grade Point Average For Second Year Graduate Students = 3.76 (Range = 3.24-4.00)

Spring 2016 Graduate Area Comprehensive Examination (GACE)

Passing Rate: 84%

Spring 2016 Praxis II In Speech-Language Pathology Passing Rate: 89%

Master Of Public Health (MPH):

20 Courses Taught In Fall 2015; Average Class Size = 15 Students;

16 Courses Taught In Spring 2016; Average Class Size = 13 Students.

Fall 2015 GACE: 17 Students Took; 15 Students Passed; Passing Rate = 88%

Spring 2016 GACE: 23 Students Took; 23 Students Passed; Passing Rate = 100%

Doctor Of Public Health (Drph):

12 Courses Taught In Fall 2015; Average Class Size = 13.

7 Dissertations In Fall 2015; Average Class Size = 4

16 Courses Taught In Fall 2016; Average Class Size = 13.

10 Dissertations In Spring 2016; Average Class Size = 3.

Fall GACE: 11 Students Took; 8 Passed; Passing Rate = 73%

Spring GACE: 11 Students Took; 8 Passed; Passing Rate = 73%

RESEARCH/ SCHOLARLY CREATIVITY

(List – Specifics not just numbers)

Books: 1

Publications: 63 (56 Publications Are Listed Below And 7 Additional Are Listed Under "Additional Information."

- Newkirk-Turner, B. L., Oetting, J. B., & Stockman, I. J., (2016). Development Of Auxiliaries In Young Children Learning African American English. Language, Speech, And Hearing Services In Schools. Doi:10.1044/2016_Lshss-15-0063.**
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Conferences: 44 Presentations At Local And National Conferences

Juried Exhibits: 0

Other:

SERVICE

Department:

Healthcare Administration Faculty And Director Served On Curriculum And Admission Committees

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Faculty In Dept Of Communicative Disorders Served On Admissions, Faculty And Chair Search And Curriculum Committees (5 Of Them). One Faculty Served As An Advisor National Student Speech, Language And Hearing Association.

Faculty In Dept Of Behavioral And Environmental Health Served On Admission, Curriculum, Dissertation, Faculty And Chair Search Committees (26 Services)

Faculty In Dept Of Epidemiology/Biostatistics Served On Admission, Curriculum, Dissertation, Faculty And Chair Search Committees (18 Services)

Faculty In Dept Of Health Policy And Management Served On Admission, Curriculum, Dissertation, Faculty And Chair Search Committees (5 Services)

College: /School

Faculty In Dept Of Communicative Disorders Served On:

Department Of Health Policy And Management Chair Search Committee;

Department Of Health Policy And Management Faculty Search Committee;

School Of Public Health Curriculum Committee;

School Of Public Health Admissions Committee;

School Of Public Health Accreditation Committee;

College Tenure And Promotion Committee.

Public Health Faculty In Beh, Epi/Bio And Hpm Served On The Following Committees:

Committee On Initiation Of School Of Public Health, Jackson State University, Summer 2015;

School Of Public Health Tenure & Promotion Committee, Jackson State University, 2015-16;

One Faculty Participated In United Negro College

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**Fund (Unconf) Career Pathways Grant; Drafted A Doctoral Program Assessment Survey; Prepared An Internal Grant On Suicide Prevention And Awareness On Depression To Collect Pilot Data, And Served On Editorial Board Of University Journal, The Researcher;
School Of Public Health Admission, Curriculum, Accreditation Committees;
One Faculty/Admin. Served As Acting Dean When The Interim Dean Was Absence From Campus, Helped Plan The Annual Meeting Of The Delta Chapter Of The Society For Public Health Education, And Made Contact With Mr. Ron Polk, Commander, Marine Corps League, Department Of Mississippi To Plan Ways To Collaborate In Community Service Projects Like Toys For Tots.**

**One Faculty Served On Honors Awards Ceremony Committee
One Faculty Served As Director Of Disabilities Services Search Committee**

**Two Faculty Served On Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
Faculty Served On Jackson State University Faculty And Staff Fall Seminar, Session Panel Member**

University:

Discipline:

Faculty Of Dept Of Communicative Disorders Served On The Following Associations/Committees:

National Black Association Speech Language And Hearing, Secretary;

Mississippi Speech-Language Hearing Association, 2016 Adhoc Committee Chair;

Central Mississippi Down Syndrome Society, Board Member.

Faculty Departments Of Behavioral And Environmental Health,

**Epidemiology/Biostatistics And Health Policy And Management
Served On The Followings Committees/Associations/Boards:**

Other:

**Editorial Board, The Researcher;
Irb-Chair, One Excellence Awards Program Planning Committee;
Honors College Academic Council: Promotion & Tenure
Committee: Senator-At-Large 2015-2016;
The Career Pathways Initiative Committee;
Assistance To Edit Journal Of Alcohol And Drug Education;
Faculty Senate, Faculty Senate Research Committee;
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Member;
Editorial Board, Journal Of Health And Human Services
Administration (Jhhsa), 2014- Present;
International Genetic Epidemiology Society Education Committee;
Judge For American Society Of Human Genetics Dna Day Essays;
Treasurer Of The Jackson Area Sas Users Group;
American Public Health Association Genomics Forum;
Reviewer : Journal Of Administration And Society, 2013-Present;
International Journal On Aging, 2013-Present;
Member Ad-Hoc International Editorial Board, Journal Of Health
And Human Services Administration;
Co-Advisor Of The JSU Tiger Knights;
Secretary Of The Mississippi Scholastic Chess Association;
Selection Committee For The Jackson Area Jewish Film Festival;
Treasurer Of The Jackson Area SAS Users Group;
Served On Graduate Admission, Graduate Status And Graduate
Curriculum Committees. Faculty Also Served On Graduate
Council And Faculty Senate**

II. SUSTAINABILITY

Proposals:

A Number Of Proposals Were Submitted By The SPHI Faculty During 2015-2016 Academic Year. They Are As Follows:

- Nsf Proposal # 1551888 Collaborative Research: Variation And The Grammar Of Child African American English;**
- Racial Differences In Inflammation And Dysfibrinolysis Among Post-Menopausal Women (Submitted To American Heart Association, Not Funded);**
- Screening, Brief Intervention, And Referral To Treatment (SBIRT) Plus Team Program In Jackson For Students In Health Professions. Submitted To SAMHSA, 2016-19. \$646,770 (Decision Awaited)**
- Testing The Efficacy Of A Multi-Theory Model (MTM) Based Physical Activity Promotion Intervention In College Students. Submitted To LMU 2016-17. \$6,940 (Decision Awaited)**
- Testing The Efficacy Of The Multi-Theory Model For Physical Activity Promoting Intervention For African American Women To APA, 2016-17. \$20,000 (Decision Awaited)**

Grants:

- Personalized Prevention Of Cvd: Role Of Genetics, Stress And Behavioral Factors, American Heart Association (Tx, United States), 2015-07 To 2019-06 | Award Number: 25sdg257000010;**
- Prostate Cancer Genetics In African Americans**
- Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs 2012-08 To 2015-08 | Grant Number: Pc101953;**
- Eliminating Health Disparities Through Multi-Trans-Disciplinary Approaches, National Institute On Minority Health And Health Disparities 2012-06 To 2017-01 | Grant Number: 5p20md006899-04;**
- UAB Research Project 1 PI: 100K 5 Years In 4th Year;**
- Pilot Project Grant. “Progression Of Metabolic Syndrome In Relation To Depression And Inflammatory Biomarker;**

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Awarded From RCMI-CEH In August 12, 2015, Approved By NIH April 2016. Funded \$ 80,000 From NIH (RCMI-CEH), Effective April 2016 For 2 Years, 2016-2018;
RTRN Small Grant (Sinha), 06/01/2015- 6/30/2016;
Research Centers In Minority Institutions, NIH Role Of Inflammation In The Progression Of Diabetic Nephropathy Among African Americans In The Jackson Heart Study Cohort; Delta CHES Data Processing And Data File Delivery, 05/01/2015- 11/30/2015. Source Of Fund: Mississippi State Department Of Health;
Jackson Heart Study Graduate Training And Education Center, NIH/NHLBI, \$734,076;
Jackson Heart Study Graduate Training And Education Center, Supplement, NIH/NHLBI, \$28,554;
Center Of Excellence In Minority Health And Health Disparities, NIH/NHLBI, \$1,057,273;
Mid-South TCC For Health Disparities, NIH/NIMHD, \$182,170.00;
Us Department Of Education, \$245,967;
CMS No Cost Extension, \$50,000

Contracts:

Communicative Disorders Graduate Program: Hinds County Human Resource Agency-Head Start, \$10,000;

Development:

Communicative Disorders Graduate Program: Gift By Dr. Ida J. Stockman, Professor Emerita At Michigan State University Given In Honor Of Dr. Dora Washington, \$5,000

Patents: 0

Other: Center Of Excellence In Minority Health And Health Disparities' Major Accomplishments:

2015 - 2016 Health Disparities Research Training Program

The Health Disparities Research Training Program Is Sponsored By Jackson State University Center Of Excellence In Minority Health And Health Disparities (Jsu Cemhd). The Program Is A Partnership Of Jsu Cemhd, The Center On Minority Health At The University Of Alabama At Birmingham And All Of The Other Mississippi Hbcus (Alcorn State University, Mississippi Valley State University, Rust College And Tougaloo College). The Health Disparities Research Program Is Funded By The National Institutes Of Health/National Institute For Minority Health And Health Disparities.

The Objectives Of The Health Disparities Research Training Program Are To:

- 1. Develop Independent Researchers In Health Disparities Research Through Individualized Mentored Training.**
- 2. Provide Instruction In Scientific Research Methodology And Design.**
- 3. Provide Training In Health Disparities And Innovative Approaches To Reduce Them.**
- 4. Teach Scientific Writing And Grant Preparation Skills To Produce A Grant Submission To An External Agency.**

The 2015 – 2016 Health Disparities Research Training Program Scholars Are As Follows:

**Shani K. Collins, Ms, Phd
Visiting Assistant Professor
Department Of Social Work
Alcorn State University**

**Rochelle Cobbs, Ms, Med
Assistant Professor
Mississippi Valley State University**

Erick Ellis, Ms, Phd
President/Ceo Of Sillé Biofuels
Tougaloo College

Carolyn Howard, Phd
Associate Professor
Jackson State University

Jaegoo Lee, Phd, Msw
Assistant Professor
Jackson State University

Lianna Li, Md, Phd
Visiting Professor
Tougaloo College

Sherill Morris-Francis, Phd
Assistant Professor
Mississippi Valley State University

Frank Mrema, Phd
Forestry And Mycology Specialist
Alcorn State University

Shenika Poindexter, Phd
Associate Professor
Alcorn State University

Kanika Sharp, Ms
Instructor Of Health
Mississippi Valley State University

Martha Stovall, M A
Assistant Professor
Rust College

Wendy Thompson, Ms, Drph
Associate Professor
Jackson State University

2015 Summer Obesity Research Training (Sort) Program

The Summer Obesity Research Training Program (Sortp) Is Sponsored By The Jackson State University Center Of Excellence In Minority Health And Health Disparities/Institute Of Epidemiology And Health Services Research In Collaboration With Alcorn State University, Mississippi Valley State University, Rust College, Tougaloo College, And The University Of Alabama In Birmingham's Minority Health And Health Disparities Research Center (Uab Mhrc).

The 2015 Sort Scholars Are Listed Below:

Joseph Chebet
Mississippi Valley State University

Lakenya Davis
Mississippi Valley State University

Latonya Hayes
Alcorn State University

Angela Jackson
Alcorn State University

Selene Perales
Mississippi Valley State University

Jackson Heart Study Graduate Training And Education Center's Objectives Are To:

- 1) Establish A Graduate Level Certificate Program Focused On Cardiovascular Epidemiology Research.**
- 2) Establish Jhs Data Mentoring Teams To Oversee Efforts By Undergraduate And Graduate Students To Analyze, Present, And Publish Their Research From Jhs Data.**
- 3) Work Closely With The Other Jhs Centers To: (1) Assure Coordination Of Both The Jhs Graduate And Undergraduate Training And Education Programs, And (2) Support The Jhs In Achieving Its Five Major Aims.**
- 4) Work With The Jhs Coordinating Center To Develop And Maintain A Student Database With Evaluation Metrics For Student Performance.**
- 5) Disseminate The Achievements Of The Jhs Through Presentations, Publications In Peer- Reviewed Journals, And Reports To The Jhs Coordinating Center, Osmb, And Nhlbi.**

Major Accomplishments:

The Graduate Training And Education Center (Gtec) Selected Six (6) New Scholars To Participate In The Daniel Hale Williams Scholars Program (Dhws). A Program Designed To Implement And Evaluate Comprehensive Educational Enrichment Programs Aimed At Increasing The Number And Quality Of African Americans Entering The Biomedical Workforce. The Scholar Program Was Named After Dr. Daniel Hale Williams (1858-1931), An African American Cardiologist, Who Performed The First Successful Open Heart Surgery. Daniel Hale Williams Founded The First Interracial Hospital, Created Two Hospital-Based Training Programs For Nurses, Co-Founded The National Medical Association, And Was The First African American Physician Admitted To The American College Of Surgeons. The Jackson Heart Study Graduate Training And Education Center Daniel Hale Williams Scholar Program Will Provide A “Standard” Of Excellence Expected In

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The Program, And Will Serve As An Inspiring Model For All Of Our Scholars.

The Daniel Hale Williams Scholars Program Is A Two-Year Graduate Program In Cardiovascular Epidemiology, With An Emphasis On Social Epidemiology And Health Disparities. The Scholars Are Selected From Both Partnering Institutions - Jackson State University (Students Are Selected From Public Health, Psychology And Sociology) And The University Of Mississippi Medical Center (Students Are Selected From Nursing, Medicine, Dentistry And Pharmacy).

The Daniel Hale Williams Scholars Program Selected Its 4th Cohort (2016-2018) And The Scholars Are As Follows:

Name	Institution Affiliation	Research Interest
Jasmine Taylor	Jsu	Cardiovascular Risk Factors And Pregnancy Outcome
Michael Ramsey	Jsu	Psychology Social Determinants Of Health And Cvd
Anupria Davenport	Jsu School Of Public Health	Sickle Cell Disease And Cvd
Jocole Green	Jsu School Of Public Health	Depression Symptoms (Cimt) And Cvd
Hannah Scott	Jsu Biology	Apol1 Is Modulated By Obesity To Increase Risk Of Cvd Among Women: The Jackson Heart Study
Taryn Ellis	Ummc	Hormone Replacement Therapy And Cardiovascular Risk In Postmenopausal African American Women: Jackson Heart Study
Bianca Pointer	Jsu	Psychology Psychosocial Factors And Its Influence On The Development Of Type 2 Diabetes Risks Among African Americans

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- ii. The Graduate Training And Education Center Hosted A One Day Gtec Dhws Program Orientation (May 12, 2016) And A 5 Day Research “Boot” Camp (May 16-20, 2016).**
- iii. Another Major Accomplishment For The Graduate Training And Education Center Was The Celebration Of The First Graduate Training And Education Center Graduation Ceremony. The Graduation Ceremony Took Friday, May 13, 2016 In The Student Center, Jackson State University Suite 307.**
- iv. Abstracts Submission To Various Conferences 2016:**

III. LOW PRODUCING UNITS

Please list the strategies that you have developed for low producing programs as identified by IHL.

N/A

IV. NEW AND SPECIAL INITIATIVES

In 2015 Fall Semester, School Of Public Health Initiative Was Implemented. Infrastructures (Lecture Hall, Spaces For The Departments, Renovations/Remodeling Library, Computer Lab And Creation Of Spaces For Graduate/Doctoral Students) Started In The Fall Semester And Will Be Completed By The Beginning Of 2016-2017 Academic Year. To Receive Accreditation, A Number Of Administrators, Staff And Faculty Must Be Hired. Hiring The Needed Personnel Is Diligently Progressing And It Is Anticipated That All Positions Will Be Filled By December 2016. Application To Become An Accredited School Of Public Health Was Submitted; However, Upon Recommendation Made By The Ceph Staff, This Application Will Be Resubmitted In January-February, 2017 Under The Ceph's New Accreditation Criteria Scheduled To Be Announced And Implemented In October 2016.

V. AWARDS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS/DISTINCTIONS

N/A

VI. ENROLLMENT DATA

Enrollment:

Communicative Disorders:

Undergraduate Program = 74; Graduate = 37; Total = 111;

Healthcare Administration Program: 407

Master Of Public Health Program: 34

Doctor Of Public Health Program: 11

Total Students In SPHI In 2015-2016 = 563

Recruitment/Program Marketing Strategies:

Undergraduate Recruitment Activities: JSU Major Fair (August 28, 2015), Canton Public School District (October 19, 2015), Jackson Public School District (Jim Hill High School; October 23, 2015), College Day At JSU (October 3, 2015)
Graduate Program Recruitment Activities: Information Sessions (November 6, 2016; January 22, 2016)

Retention:

Undergraduate Program: Information Not Available;

Graduate Program: Fall 2015-Spring 2016 - 97%

Graduation:

Undergraduate Program: Fall 2015 = 3; Spring 2016 = 16; Total = 19 (In Addition, 6 Students Will Complete The 2-Semester Post-Baccalaureate Program)

Graduate Program: Fall 2015 = 2; Spring 2016 = 16; Total = 18

Placement: *Complete Information Not Available*

Other: N/A

VII. STUDENT SUCCESS

Internships: Undergraduate Program: 3 Junior-Level Students Have Received Out-Of-State Paid Summer Internships

Graduate Program: 19 Of 19 Graduate Students Were Placed At Full-Time External Clinical Sites During Spring 2016; Of These Students, 3 Students Applied And Were Selected For Highly Competitive Clinical Placements At The University Of Mississippi Medical Center

All Graduating Mph Students In December 2015 And April 2016 Were Placed At External Sites And Completed Their Required Field Internships After Passing Their Graduate Area Comprehensive Examination Prior To Their Graduation Dates.

Awards:

Undergraduate Program: Vinechia Johnson - W.E.B. Dubois Honor College, Dean's List Scholar, Blue Key National Honor Society, Flashnotes.Com Honor Society, Who's Who Among American University And College Students

Kristin Castilla - Alpha Lambda Delta Honors Society, Sigma Tau Delta English Honors Society; Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society; Who's Who Among American University And College Students, Alpha Chi Honors Society, Dean's List And President's List Scholar, Golden Key Honors Society

Aliah Green: President's List Scholar, Dean's List Scholar, Who's Who Among American University And College Students, Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society, Golden Key Honor Society, Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Graduate Program: Kenya Shields-Sanders - Alpha Epsilon Lambda; Mississippi Speech, Language, Hearing Association Outstanding Graduate Student At Jackson State University Award

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Elizabeth Osborne - Mississippi Speech, Language, And Hearing Association Amanda Price Celebration Of Life Award

Recognitions: Undergraduate And Graduate Program: The Undergraduate And Graduate Chapters Of The National Student Speech, Language, And Hearing Association Hosted The Childhood Apraxia Of Speech Of North America Walk For Apraxia On October 3, 2015. The Student Organizations Raised \$3,000 Which Went Toward Supporting Therapy Services For Children Who Have Apraxia Of Speech.

Graduate Program: Three Graduate Students Are Graduating In April 2016 With A 4.0 Grade Point Average: Paulisha Farrish, Sarah Grennan Guthrie, And April Swilley.

One DrPH student was recognized by APHA during its November 2015 Annual Conference: "Opportunities for health promotion: Discussing health topics during prenatal care visits, 2011 Mississippi Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS). Monday, November 2, 2015: 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Mina Qobadi, Epidemiology, Jackson State University, Jackson, MS Lei Zhang, PhD, MSc, MBA, Office of Health Data & Research, Mississippi State Department of Health, Jackson, MS

Other: Paulisha Farrish, Who Was Selected As The Student Marshall For The Graduate Student Graduation Ceremony, Graduated From Our Undergraduate Program In 2014 With A 4.0 Grade Point Average And Will Graduate In April 2016 From Our Graduate Program With A 4.0 Grade Point Average.

Additionally, The Following Presentations (During American Public Health Association (Apha) In 2015 And 2016 Have At Least One Student As Co-Presenter/Co-Author:

**2015 Apha Presentations, October 31-November 4, 2015
(Presentations With Students As Co-Presenters)**

**Physical Activities And Health Status Of A Community In Transition: A
Case From Southern Iran**

Monday, November 2, 2015: 10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

**Weight Related Perceptions And Perceived Threat To Disease Among
African American Women In Mississippi, Monday, November 2,
2015 : 8:30 A.M. - 8:50 A.M**

**Density Incidence And Trend Of Breast Cancer In Iran, Tuesday,
November 3, 2015: 4:30 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.**

**Using Social Cognitive Theory To Predict Intention To Smoke In Middle
School Students**

Tuesday, November 3, 2015: 12:30 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.

**What's In A Label?: Multiple Meanings And Associated Identities Of
'Msm' Among African American Men In Mississippi, Sunday,
November 1, 2015: 2:30p.M. – 3:30 P.M.**

**Community Readiness Model: Addressing Black Infant Mortality
Disparity In Columbus, Ohio**

Tuesday, November 3, 2015: 4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

**Relationship Between Obesity And Premenstrual Dysphoric Disorder In
African American Women. Tuesday, November 3, 2015: 10:30 A.M.
– 11:30 A.M.**

**Physical Activity Interventions In African American Women: A Recent
Qualitative Review**

Tuesday, November 3, 2015: 12:30 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.

Media Interventions To Prevent Adolescent Tobacco Smoking: A Systematic Review

Tuesday, November 3, 2015: 12:30 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.

A Socio-Ecological Perspective On Alcohol Access, Social Capital, And High Risk Sexual Behaviors Among African American Men. Sunday, November 1, 2015: 2:30 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

Apha Annual Meeting & Expo, October 29- November 2, 2016

Azad Bhuiyan, Gerri Cannon-Smith, Sophia Leggett, Pamela Mccoy, Nicole Betson (2016). Acculturation Is An Independent Predictor Of Health Insurance Coverage Among Hispanic/Latinos In Mississippi, Louisiana And Alabama. Poster Session Scheduled For Wednesday, November 2, 2016: 8:30 A.M.-9:30 A.M. (Abstract Available From <https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/347558>)

Amanda Brown, Mohammad Shahbazi, David Brown, Azad Bhuiyan, Sophia Leggett (2016). A Qualitative Pilot Study Of The Underutilization Of Influenza Vaccinations By African American Older Adults. Student Project Roundtable Scheduled For Tuesday, November 1, 2016: 2:30 P.M.-4:00 P.M. (Abstract Available From <https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/348221>)

Mujuni Maliyamkono, Azad Bhuiyan, Clifton Addison, Jung Hye Sung Lee, Mario Azevedo, Solomon Musani (2016). Side Effects Of Antihypertensive Therapy On Lung Function And Other Respiratory Symptoms: Findings From The Jackson Heart Study. Oral Presentation At Cardiovascular Health Epidemiology Scheduled For Tuesday, November 1, 2016: 8:30 A.M.-10:00 A.M. (Abstract Available From <https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/353995>)

Diabetes Education Program For People With Type 2 Diabetes: An International Perspective

- Jai Parkash, Phd, Biomedical Sciences Department, Keiser University, 9100 Forum Corporate Parkway, Fort Myers, Fl 33905, Osama Rashed, Mph, Tulkarm Directorate Of Health, Diabetes Clinic, Karam, Tulkaram, Palestine, State Of, Halema Al Sabbahb, Phd, Public Health, Zayed University, P.O. Box 19282, Dubai, United Arab Emirates, Adnan Kisa, Phd, Zirve University, Zirve Rd, Gaziantep, Turkey And Mustafa Younis, Phd, Ma, Mba, Dept Of Health Policy, Jackson State University, Jackson, Ms.**
- Sharma, M., Nahar, V. K., & Lingam, V. (2016). A Systematic Review Of Yoga Interventions As Alternative And Complementary Treatment In Breast Cancer. Published Abstract In The Proceedings Of The American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, 144, Session, 4357. (Abstract Available From: [Https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/340157](https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/340157)).**
- Knowlden, A. P. & Sharma, M. (2016). Program Planning Of The Men Conquering Obesity Using Reduced Dietary Intake, Increased Activity, And Goal-Based Education (M-Courage) Randomized Control Trial. Proceedings Of The American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, 144, Session. (Abstract Available From: [Https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/342289](https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/342289)).**
- Hayes, T., & Sharma, M. (2016). Using The Multi-Theory Model For Health Behavior Change To Predict Leisure Time Physical Activity Among African American Women. Proceedings Of The American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, 144, Session 3327. (Abstract Available From: [Https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/346634](https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/346634)).**
- Brown, L., & Sharma, M. (2016). Promoting Fruits And Vegetables Consumption Among African American Women: A Review Of Interventions. Proceedings Of The American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, 144, Session 5007. (Abstract Available From: [Https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/348391](https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/348391)).**

- Bridges, L., Sharma, M., Reese-Smith, J., Hayes, T., Cooper, G., Green, B., Lingam, V., Bennett, R., Buxbaum, S., & Lee, J. (2016). Using Precede-Proceed Model To Design And Evaluate A Suicide Prevention And Depression Awareness Intervention Among African American College Students. Proceedings Of The American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, 144, Session 4173. (Abstract Available From: <https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/342870>).**
- Walker, T., Sharma, M., Azevedo, M., Bennett, R., Buxbaum, S., & Lee, J. (2016). School Climate And Environmental Predictors Of Tobacco, Alcohol, And Marijuana Use In Middle School Students Of Mississippi. Proceedings Of The American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, 144, Session 5009. (Abstract Available From: <https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/344139>).**
- Sartin, J., & Sharma, M. (2016). Interventions To Reduce Domestic Violence Witnessed By Children: A Systematic Review. Proceedings Of The American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, 144, Session 4171. (Abstract Available From: <https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/364527>).**
- Vaitinadin, N. S., Rosen, B. L., Ying, J., Wilson, B., & Sharma, M. (2016). Combining The Health Belief Model With Artificial Neural Networks To Determine Predictors For Water Consumption Behavior Towards Childhood Obesity Prevention – An Artificial Intelligence Approach At Predictive Modeling In Health Education. Proceedings Of The American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, 144, Session 4172. (Abstract Available From: <https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/357182>).**
- Lingam, V., & Sharma, M. (2016). Integrative And Complementary Fall Prevention Strategies In Parkinson's Patients: A Systematic Review. Proceedings Of The American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, 144, Session 4357. (Abstract Available From:**

<https://Apha.Confex.Com/Apha/144am/Meetingapp.Cgi/Paper/355433>).

- Todd, M., Shahbazi, M., Et Al.(2016). "Utilization Of Parental Support Groups Among Parents Of Children With Autism Spectrum Disorder" Session 4179.0 Tuesday, November 1, 2016 At 12:30 P.M.**
- Watkins, R., Shahbazi, M., Et Al. "Relationship Between Perceived Health Status And Stages Of Change For Mammography Utilization Among African American Women." Session 4175.0, Tuesday, November 1, 2016 At 12:30 P.M.**
- Brown, A., Shahbazi, M. Et Al. (2016). "A Qualitative Pilot Study Of The Underutilization Of Influenza Vaccinations By African American Older Adults." Session 4289, Tuesday, November 1, 2016 At 2:30 P.M.. View The Session Online For More Details.**
- Hays, T. Baily, A. And Shahbazi, M. (2016). "A Focus Group Study To Assess Students' Interpretations Of A Doctoral Degree In Public Health." Session 5008, Wednesday, November 2, 2016 At 8:30 A.M.**
- Sirous, R. Et Al. (2016). "Association Between Breast Cancer And Anthropometric Features In Iranian Women." Session, 5106. Wednesday, November 2, 2016 At 10:30 A.M.**

VIII. PROGRAM QUALITY/ENHANCEMENTS

Accreditations:

Communicative Disorders:

Undergraduate Program: No Accreditation

Graduate Program: Current Accreditation Cycle = 5/1/2014-4/30/22; Annual Report Aproved By The Council Of Academic Accreditation In Audiology And Speech Pathology And On 2/2/2016, The Program Was Approved To Continue Accreditation. Next Annual Report Is Due 8/1/2016.

Healthcare Adminstration: No Accreditation

Public Health Program (MPH And Drph):

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Current Accreditation Cycle: December Each Year

The Program Received Reaffirmation Of Accreditation On: Received Approval Letter On Feb. 8, 2016

Next Annual Report Is Due: December 6, 2016

Self- Studies: N/A

Peer Reviews: N/A

Graduate Program Reviews: N/A

Other: N/A

IX. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

There Are Three Centers In The Sphi:

**Center Of Excellence In Minority Health And Health Disparities;
Jackson Heart Study Graduate Training And Education Center;
Jackson Heart Study Community Outreach Core (Corc).**

Following Are Accomplishments By These Centers:

Additional Publication By Jackson Heart Study – Community Outreach Core (Corc)

Corc Staff Is Engaged In Manuscript Development Using Community And Jhs Data. Corc Staff Members Were Authors On One Manuscript Published In January 2016 Entitled:

**Building Collaborative Health Promotion Partnerships: The Jackson Heart Study Int. J. Environ. Res. Public Health 2016, 13(1), 25;
Doi:10.3390/Ijerph13010025.**

Two Manuscript Proposals With Corc Staff As Authors Have Been Accepted By P&P In April 2016: They Are The Following:

Manuscript Proposal# 0679: Concentration Of Uric Acid As A Predictor Of Type 2 Diabetes In African Americans Of The Jackson Heart Study.

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Manuscript Proposal# 0630: Development Of A Measure To Access Health Related Quality Of Life In Obesity Among African Americans In The Jackson Heart Study.

Two Manuscripts With Corc Staff As Authors Are Being Revised For Re-Submission To P&P: They Are The Following:

Manuscript Proposal# 174: Factor Analysis Of Obesity, Diabetes, Hypertension, Dyslipidemia, And Syndrome X In The Jackson Heart Study Cohort.

Manuscript P#0239: The Association Between Alcohol Consumption And The Type Of Heart Disease Among African American Women And Men In The Jackson Heart Study (Jhs) Authors:

Corc Published Manuscripts-November 1, 2015-April 30, 2016

Title Of Manuscripts

**Building Collaborative Health Promotion Partnerships: The Jackson Heart Study - Int. J. Environ. Res. Public Health 2016, 13(1), 25;
Doi:10.3390/Ijerph13010025**

Under Review--Manuscripts Submitted To Jackson Heart Study Publications And Presentations Subcommittee

The Association Between Alcohol Consumption And The Type Of Heart Disease Among African American Women And Men In The Jackson Heart Study (Jhs) – Submitted To Jackson Heart Study P&P – April 16, 2015

Factor Analysis Of Obesity, Diabetes, Hypertension And Syndrome X In The Jackson Heart Study Cohort - Submitted To Jackson Heart Study P&P –April 16, 2015.

Cumulative Effects Of Stress On Measures Of Obesity In The Jackson Heart Study Edued To Submit To The Jackson Heart Study P&P – June, 2015.

Association Of Stress And Obesity And The Mediating Effect Of Coping And Social Support In African Americans: Jackson Heart Study Manuscript Proposal Accepted

Concentration Of Uric Acid As A Predictor Of Type 2 Diabetes In African Americans Of The Jackson Heart Study.

Additional Presentations And Or Scheduled Presentation By Jhs Corc Are:

A Group Of Community Research Fellows Received Funding From The Msdh To Conduct The “Step-N-2-Life” Project To Address Hypertension In African American Women In The Jackson Medical Mall Area. They Have Submitted An Abstract For Presentation To The Apha Annual Meeting To Be Held In October-November 2016. The Research Team Is Conducting Data Analysis With Assistance From Jhs Corc Investigators.

Corc Investigators Are Authors On Six Presentations That Have Been Submitted To Apha For The 2016 Annual Meeting Scheduled For October-November 2016.

Corc Publications And Presentations Are Listed In The Tables Below:

Presentations By Community Outreach Center Staff – November 1-April 30, 2016

Xavier University Of Louisiana College Of Pharmacy

--The Eighth Health Disparities Conference, Titled From Cataloging Health Disparities To Creating Health Equity: Effective Models To Equalize Outcomes –March 13-15, 2015

Incorporating A Learning Community To Prepare Graduate Students In Cardiovascular Epidemiology: The Jackson Heart Study

Implementing A Graduate Certificate Program In Cardiovascular Epidemiology: The Jackson Heart Study

The Built Environment As A Risk Factor For Cardiovascular Risk In The Jackson Heart Study Community

Uab Conference Presentation-- Mid-South Transdisciplinary Collaborative Center For Health Disparities Research –Uab 10th Annual Health Disparities Research Symposium— Double Tree Hotel, Birmingham, Alabama -- March 16-18, 2015

Cvd Management Through Engaging The Jackson Heart Study Community

American Public Health Association 143rd Apha Annual Meeting And Exposition (October 31 - November 4, 2015)—Chicago, Illinois

Building Collaborative Health Promotion Partnerships: The Jackson Heart Study

Academic And Research Training In Cardiovascular Epidemiology: The Jackson Heart Study

Cvd Management Through Engaging The Jackson Heart Study Community.

X. SUMMARY

The School Has Four Department; A Healthcare Program, And Three Centers. All Units Have Relatively Been Productive.

The Communicative Disorders Continues To Be A Growing Major. Both Undergraduate And Graduate Programs Have Maintained Steady Enrollment.

Healthcare Administration Continues To Be Growing As Well. It Completed Implementation Of Online Degree Program; Expanded Traditional Face-To-Face Course Offerings To The Madison Campus. Participated In Passport To The World Program (2015 - Dominican Republic, 2016 - Brazil).It Hca's Enrollment Remained Between 300 - 400 Throughout The Year, With Approximately 100 Students Enrolled Via Jsu Online.

Public Health Program (Mph/Drph): Public Program Has Continued To Grow Steadily. MPH And Drph Students GACE's Passing Rate Remained Satisfactory (88%). Ten Drph Graduated This Year. Some 63 Publications Have Been Documented. Students Also Co-Presented With The Faculty At National Conferences (American Public Health Association In Particular).

Several Initiatives, Including A Lecture Hall, Remodeling Computer Labs And The School Libraries Are Underway Providing The Needed Infrastructure For The School Accreditation Plan.

Overall, The School Has Done Well. The Main Challenge Is Filling Admininstrative And Faculty Positions By December 2016.

X. MAJOR GOALS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-2017

1. Maintain Accreditation In The Graduate Program
2. Implement Innovative Recruitment Strategies To Increase Enrollment In The Undergraduate Program
3. Improve Rate Of Acceptance Of Undergraduate Student In Graduate Program (Including Inside And Outside Of Jackson State University)
4. Fill Vacant Faculty Positions With Highly Qualified Individuals
5. Apply For School Accreditation
6. Prepare Self-Study Report In Prepration For CEPH Accreditation
7. Invite CEPH Staff For The Required Site Visit
8. Conduct Retreat And Revisit The School's Mission, Goals And Curriculum
9. Invite Mock Site Visit
10. Hire A Consultant For The School Accreditation Endeavor