Upcoming Events

Tuesday, May 5, 2015 | 5:30-8:30
Community WorldQuest
Montante Cultural Center, Canisius College
2001 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14208
Join a team competing in a global trivia fundraiser. This event will help to fund global education programs organized by the International Institute of Buffalo. For questions contact May Shogan mshogan@iibuff.org

Wednesday, May 6 | 8 a.m.
Global Health Club Meeting
Farber Hall, Room 182
Global Health Club will be holding the last meeting of the academic year on Wednesday in Farber Hall, room 182. Join them for breakfast and animated discussion.

Saturday, May 30, 2015 | 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Spring Clinical Day 2015: Lessons Learned in Global Health
9 a.m. | Breakfast
- Traveling Photo Exhibit Survivors
- Research Fair
- Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus Tours

10 a.m. | Panel Presentation
Global is local: caring for refugees and immigrants in WNY
- Pavani Ram, MD, University at Buffalo, Epidemiology and Environmental Health
- Kim Griswold, MD, University at Buffalo, Family Medicine
- Pam Kefi, Jewish Family Service, WNY Center for Survivors of Torture
- Olivier Mandevu, Gatumba Refugee Survivors Foundation

11 a.m. | Keynote Presentation and Lunch
Lessons Learned from the Ebola Crisis
- Dan Kelly, MD, University of California at San Francisco
Register now! The cost of the event includes Spring Clinical Day activities and breakfast and lunch.

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**Education**

**Fall 2015 Courses**

**CHB 500 Special Topics— Health for Refugee Populations (3 credit hours)**
- Mondays: 1:00 p.m.-3:40 p.m.
- Class Number: 24423

This course provides an introduction to health issues, barriers to care, and services for Western New York’s (WNY) refugee population. Through the course, students will explore major health issues impacting refugee communities, identify and prioritize major health issues and unmet needs for this underserved population, and identify, design or recommend a feasible service or intervention model to address the identified issue or issues. Major health issues that will be explored include physical, mental, sociological and spiritual health. Barriers that will be assessed include cultural, social, physical, and financial challenges. The course objectives will be met through faculty and student engagement with refugee community providers and client representatives. Contact Dr. Kozlowski lk22@buffalo.edu or Dr. Collins lcollins@buffalo.edu for more information.

**CHB 500 Special Topics — Health and the Public: Health, Medicine, and Illness in Social Context**
- Tuesdays: 9-11:40 a.m.
- Class Number: 24331

In this course we will examine the social nature of health, illness, and medicine. Over the first half of the semester we will seek to understand how the context of a person’s life shapes their likelihood of achieving good health and susceptibility to illness. We will explore the social patterning of health, longevity, and disease in the US today. We will then turn to understanding the social factors that shape health. Finally, we will examine the role of medical care in contributing to health in the US. We will explore these issues through the lens of social science, biology, epidemiology, economics, public policy, and medicine. At the end of the semester we will explore a tension at the heart of current debates in the US – the difference between an individualistic and public health-oriented perspective on illness. We examine the ethics, justice, and inequalities surrounding health in the US today. We will debate if a different organization of society, public health expenditures, or public policy would increase people’s health. Students will focus on applying empirical evidence and theory to design evidence-based public health interventions to improve
Community resilience: life after Ebola in Liberia.

People with low income pay a price in poor health. Findings from a Robert Wood Johnson and Harvard School of Public Health Poll. Published in NPR Health News.

A Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Harvard School of Public Health poll explores perception of how large and small factors shape people’s health. Published in NPR Health News.

Who Lives and Who Dies? The most important lessons from decades of global health care by Paul Farmer.

Global Health Literature

The increasing burden and complexity of multimorbidity, an article published in the Open Access BMC Public Health.

The Lancet recently published its Commission on Global Surgery, highlighting the gross disparities in surgical care around the world.

Yemen’s health situation moving from a crisis to a disaster, published in The Lancet.

Getting human rights right in global health policy, a viewpoint published in The Lancet.

SW 582 Multicultural Issues in Social Work
Mondays: 9-11:50 a.m.

Buffalo is becoming more diverse in terms of culture and ethnic background as the WNY region attracts people from all over the world. This course will explore the cultures and value systems of some of the major ethnic groups found within the U.S., discuss the impact of culture on help seeking behavior, assessment, intervention, and the termination process, and recognize the importance of working with informal support networks and indigenous helpers as part of the social work process. For questions contact Dr. Isok Kim, 645-1252; isokkim@buffalo.edu

Webinar
May 5, 1:30-2:45 p.m.
Three part webinar series: Building Understanding of Environmental Health
The FrameWorks Institute provides access to three interactive webinars focused on different sets of framing resources and strategies. Recordings will be available after the event. Supported by the American Public Health Association.

Study Abroad
Ghana Biology and Global Health
Organized by SUNY Geneseo, this 4-week program introduces significant biological issues important in global health. The course is ideally suited for students interested in careers in medicine, allied health fields, public health or environmental science.

Conferences
May 10-12, 2015 | Eugene Oregon
Western Regional International Health Conference
http://2015.wrihc.org/

May 13-17, 2015 | Alexandria, VA
Core Group Global Health Practitioners Conference
Advancing Community Health Across the Continuum of Care

June 4-6, 2015 | Metro Toronto Convention Centre
North American Refugee Health Conference
The North American Refugee Health Conference is the premier conference for professionals working with refugee populations.

June 15, 2015 | Rochester, NY
1st Annual Rochester Global Health Symposium
The 1st Annual Symposium convenes researchers, students, and practitioners from all sectors of global health to exchange ideas about how to conduct, share, and translate innovative health

Scholarships and Grants

Opportunities for Students
The Office of Global Health Initiatives offers Global Health Field Work Awards to students interested in implementing public health initiatives or to conduct research in resource-poor settings. $500 data-based projects and $2,500 international fieldwork projects are available. Applications are now accepted on a rolling basis. Apply now!

Human Impact Partners is now accepting applications for the 2015-2016 Health and Equity Fellowship Program. Fellows will spend one year focused on building leadership and skills in Health Impact Assessment and Healthy Public Policy. Candidates must have completed a master’s degree, or equivalent experience.

Opportunities for Faculty
The Gates Foundation is now accepting applications for Grand Challenges Explorations, Saving Lives at Birth, All Children Reading, and the Global Health Innovative Technology Fund. More information can be found at www.grandchallenges.org

Volunteer
Isok Kim, PhD, UB School of Social Work is recruiting community members who speak Burmese and/or Karen to be trained to conduct surveys for a behavioral health pilot study with the Burmese community. If interested in learning more about the interviewing opportunity, please contact Dr. Isok Kim, isokkim@buffalo.edu or 716-645-1252.

Partnerships
Amrita University in India is working to develop sustainable solutions for the largest rural populations in the world. Their promotion in low-resource settings. The site is currently open for abstracts and registration.
newly launched Live-in-Labs project offers learning by doing opportunities for students and/or faculty at the University at Buffalo. Foci of Live-in-Labs are health, education, water and sanitation, agriculture, eco-friendly infrastructure, income generation and self-empowerment. Contact OGHI Coordinator Jessica Scates, jmscates@buffalo.edu for more information.

Media
Global Health Media has a mission to improve health care and health outcomes in resource-poor areas by developing videos that bring to life basic health care information known to save lives. Video projects focus on newborn care, childbirth, the story of Cholera, and breastfeeding. More recently Care of the Cord was released in English, French, and Spanish and highlights the use of chlorhexidine gel in cord care to reduce newborn death from sepsis.