

SPECIAL POINTS OF IN- TEREST:

- **Fresno State Students accepted into the CDC/DHPE Internship Program**
- **Department Name Change**

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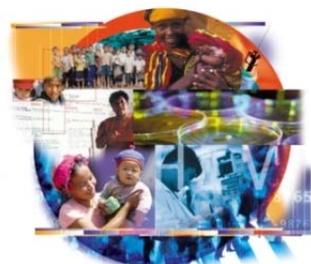
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Chair's Corner

I like to take this opportunity to bring you a brief update on department activities as we start the second part of Academic Year 08-09. The fall 2008 semester brought about the implementation of two long overdue changes in the department. The first one centered on a name change (see the article on page 2). After several faculty votes and approval by the provost and the academic senate, President Welty formally approved the name change for the department from Health Science to Public Health starting January of this year. The second change, to be implemented during the Spring 2009 semester, centers on the equalization of advising loads in the department. Starting January 15, 2009 all tenured and tenure-track faculty – including the chair – will equality share on advising responsibilities.

During the next few months I will work closely with the option coordinators to explore ways to enhance academic offerings and improve communication with out constituencies. We welcome your input and look forward to working with each of you to reach our collective goal of offering a superior graduate and undergraduate experience. Also, don't forget to become a fan of our new online presence on Facebook.



Students Accepted to CDC Internship

In May 2000, the Directors of Health Promotion and Education established an internship program designed to strengthen the academic and professional development of minority students by creating partnerships between minority-serving institutions and the public health community. Students are eligible for the internship program if they:

(1) Are enrolled in a health education or health promotion program in a four-year college or university designated as a minority-serving institution; (2) Are US citizens, non-citizen nationals, or foreign nationals possessing a visa permitting permanent residence in the US, and (3) Have decided or are considering a professional career in health

education and health promotions or related public health field. Five Fresno State students have been accepted for this nationally competitive program for the Spring 2009: Monica Martin, Adlin Davod, Mat Smith Kelsey Strong, and Amy Ybara. Congratulations to each of you for achieving this prestigious award.

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Department Name Change



On November 3, 2008, the Academic Senate at California State University, Fresno approved a name change from the Department of Health Science to

the Department of Public Health. The name change became official on January 1, 2009. The new name more accurately reflects our academic offerings and is in line with the employment opportunities available to our students.

Our phone numbers and office location will remain the same.

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Advising Changes

Beginning January 15, 2009, your academic advisors will change. Please be sure to note who your new advisor will be. The advisors for the different options are listed below.

Gerontology:
Dr. Helen Miltiades

Community Health:
A-G: Dr. Helda Pinzon-Perez
H-M: Dr. Greg Thatcher
N-S: Dr. Kara Zografos
T-Z: Dr. Vickie Krenz

Health Administration:
A-I: Dr. Suzanne Kotkin-Jaszi
J-Q: Dr. Mohammad Rahman
R-Z: Dr. Don Matlosz

Environmental Health:
A-I: Dr. Sandra Donohue
J-Q: Dr. Christopher Tennant
R-Z: Dr. Michael Waite

MPH:
Health Promotion:
Dr. Miguel A. Perez
Health Policy & Management:
Dr. Suzanne Kotkin-Jaszi

Consider This

Are you overwhelmed by the amount of work you have in some of your classes? Are you thinking about giving up? Before you do, consider taking advantage of the support systems that Fresno State offers. There are several types of tutoring available throughout the college. The one that is

going to be featured in this article is known as SupportNet. SupportNet is an early warning program, which provides a system through which faculty are able to refer students with poor academic performance or academic disengagement. Students are encouraged to meet with

SupportNet advisor who will provide the appropriate academic assistance and university resources. For more information about this program, you can contact them by phone at: (559) 278-8370
Or via email at: supportnet@csufresno.edu

Fun in the Sun

As the weather begins to change throughout the semester, keep in mind the safety of skin protection. Skin Cancer is among the most popular cancers in the United States. Although it is rarely deadly, it is still dangerous. Signs of skin cancer is most commonly found at ages over 50.



However, skin damage begins at an early age, therefore, you should begin treating it at an early age. A few ways that skin cancer can be prevented is by doing the following things:

- Regularly use a broad-spectrum sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher, even on cloudy days.
- Wear protective clothing, including a hat with a four-inch brim.
- Apply sunscreen to your entire body several times a day and avoid the midday sun from 10am-4pm

With these helpful hints, you can encourage skin protection and prevent potential cancer patients. Happy Spring!



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Protect yourself from the sun!

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PUBLIC HEALTH LISTSERV

Do you want to know what is going on in the Department of Public Health? Do you want to be updated on potential job opportunities? Current events in the field and in the area?

If you answered yes to any of these, then you need to subscribe to the department's listserv. Subscription to the

listserv will allow you to receive information — via e-mail — regarding the department, current events, advocacy opportunities, as well as job and internship opportunities. The best part is that you don't have to pay for it. To subscribe to the listserv you will need to send an e-mail message containing a "subscribe" command to the LISTSERV program.

For Example

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West Fresno Health Care Coalition, Inc. (WFHCC) founded in 2001, seeks to address the growing health disparities, lack of health services and provide a healthier way of living for those in West Fresno. WHFCC is a trusted and respected community partner with a strong track record of providing culturally and linguistically effective, community-based services that's focused on health improvement and illness prevention. It has been highly successful in its work in the West Fresno community, producing positive health outcomes for more than 15,000 individuals, children and families, through education, screening, outreach, counseling and advocacy, in the areas of Sickle Cell, HIV/AIDS, Diabetes, Child Injury Prevention, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDs), Prenatal Care, Smoking Cessation, Breastfeeding, Asthma, Immunization, Breast Cancer, Prostate Cancer, Nutrition and Physical Activity and Obesity. West Fresno Health Care Coalition, Inc., led by Executive Director Yolanda Randles, is located in the heart of West Fresno. For more information on WFHCC call (559) 264-7185.

A Tribute to Dr. Glen Doyle

Dr. Glen C. Doyle served as director and professor of Gerontology for eighteen years at Fresno State. Upon her retirement in 2005, she was honored as Professor Emeritus of Gerontology. Passion was a characteristic which Dr. Doyle displayed everyday to her students, faculty and the University. Her passion further continued in developing curriculum. Her foresights lead to the creation of interdisciplinary courses that included on-line classes within the Gerontology Minor and Gerontological Specialist Certificate.

Dr. Doyle was also credited with the growth of community programs that including Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly, Summer Institutes on Aging, and a variety of professional conferences in partnership with the California Geriatric Educations Center, the Alzheimer’s Memory and Research Center.

Other community collaborations included the Aging Network, Elderhostel, and Fresno Learning Activities in Retirement and the Friendly Visitor Services. Dr. Doyle was truly was a visionary, mentor, and friend to many.



Dr. Glen Doyle, Mentor to Many , Friend to All

Mark Your Calendars



January:

- 19-MLK, Jr. HOLIDAY-Campus Closed
- 21- Instruction Begins

February:

- 3-Last day to:
 - Add classes without permission
 - Drop classes without permission
- 14-Valentines Day
- 16-Presidents’ Day-Campus Closed



March:

- 31-Cesar Chavez Day-Campus Closed

April:

- 1-Pre-Health/Public Health Conference
- 6-10-Spring Recess-Campus Closed



16-19-Vintage Days

- 20-Fall 2009 registration begins

May:

- 13-Last day of Instruction
- 14-15- Dead Days
- 18-21- Final Examinations
- 22- Public Health Graduation
- 23-Graduation Commencement



Please remember to check your calendars for upcoming events!