Photo by Meg Corcoran “Into the Deep” Winner of the 2012 Image of Research Competition. Captured during a research excursion with Dr. An Li, Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences.
Introduction

Welcome to the University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health 2014 Annual Report

Welcome to the 2013-2014 University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health (UIC SPH) annual report. As you read through the pages, I know you will share my pride in the exceptional achievements of our faculty, students, and staff. The UIC School of Public Health supports an exciting research enterprise that addresses individual, community, and population health locally and globally. Faculty and staff are engaged in innovative activities and structural change efforts that address entrenched health disparities among underserved and low-income populations. They are well known for their work in prevention and intervention in many high impact areas including violence, obesity, smoking, cardiovascular disease, HIV/AIDS, maternal and child health, aging, and environmental and occupational health. Among them are highly dedicated educators in community health, maternal and child well-being, environmental and occupational health and safety, health policy and administration, and epidemiology and biostatistics. Our students are productive and committed to resolving emerging public health concerns through leadership, research, and service. Our alumni actively support UIC SPH’s mission and vision, and are among the most valued ambassadors for the school’s ongoing commitment to public health. I hope you enjoy reading about the breadth and depth of our celebrated programs.

Dr. Geri Donenberg, PhD
Professor and Associate Dean of Research
GETTING TO KNOW UIC SPH RESEARCHERS

Each quarter, the School of Public Health website features a faculty member doing outstanding research. This past year, we have highlighted faculty whose work addressed population aging, environmental and molecular epidemiology in chronic diseases, black lung, and health economics and policy.

Naoko Muramatsu, PhD
Community Health Sciences

"Quality is the concept that inspires my work in health and aging", states Dr. Muramatsu.

Dr. Muramatsu, an Associate Professor in the Division of Community Health Sciences (CHS), earned her PhD in Health Services Organization and Policy and Master's degrees in Health Services Administration and Sociology from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Dr. Muramatsu became a UIC SPH faculty member in 1995. She currently serves on the editorial board of The Gerontologist. She was a Fulbright Scholar and an editorial board member of the Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences.

Dr. Muramatsu's research, which she conducts at the Institute for Health Research and Policy (IHRP), aims to improve the quality of life and the quality of long-term care in aging populations. She moved to the United States from Japan in 1988, when 12 percent of the population were aged 65 or older in both countries. Japan currently has the oldest population in the world, and the US will soon experience this shift in demographics. By 2030, approximately 1 in 3 people in Japan will be seniors. Dr. Muramatsu states, “This change presents an opportunity to compare the approaches that American and Japanese societies are taking to address population aging.” Dr. Muramatsu’s personal observations and experiences in the two countries have influenced her research.

Dr. Muramatsu has conducted research on social, cultural, policy and system factors that shape health and caregiving experience in aging individuals with diverse backgrounds. She has been the principal investigator of studies funded by the National Institute on Aging that examined how state-, community-, and individual-level factors influence the well-being of older Americans. She found that where people live matters especially for frail seniors who lack family support. Dr. Muramatsu reflects that the role of front-line homecare workers is increasingly important, yet the work and care they provide have been undervalued. “I have been inspired by many caregivers who are talented, dedicated and caring.” Dr. Muramatsu’s current research develops cost-effective, sustainable community-based health promotion programs in partnership with home-bound seniors,
caregivers, community-based organizations, and multi-disciplinary research teams.

As a researcher, Dr. Muramatsu’s most rewarding experience has come from working with academic and community collaborators to design and implement research. When asked what advice she would give to new researchers, Dr. Muramatsu suggests, “Follow your heart; even if you experience a detour, you will eventually come back to your original area of interest.”
Maria Argos, PhD  
Epidemiology and Biostatistics

Dr. Maria Argos, Assistant Professor of Epidemiology in the Division of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, joined the faculty in January of 2014. Dr. Argos’s research focuses on the environmental and molecular epidemiology of chronic diseases. She shares, “I am specifically interested in evaluating molecular changes associated with environmental chemical exposures in humans that may mediate health effects. The information learned from these underlying molecular pathways could in turn be used to inform future screening, treatment, and prevention programs. I am also interested in identifying subgroups of the population that may be more susceptible to environmental exposures, based on characteristics such as genetics.” Much of her research focuses on the links of chronic diseases to environmental exposures to metals such as arsenic, especially in drinking water.

As a doctoral student, she became involved with Columbia University’s National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) Superfund Research Program. The Superfund program has study sites in the Northeast region of United States and also in Bangladesh where there is naturally occurring groundwater contamination of arsenic and manganese. Dr. Argos continues to collaborate with the Superfund investigators and to conduct her own research on the cohort that was established through the program. She recalls, “It was Dean Brandt-Rauf, then Chair of Environmental Health Sciences at Columbia’s Mailman School of Public Health, who had advised me as a graduate student that the Superfund project would be a good research fit based on my interests in drinking water quality and cancer at the time.”

Dr. Argos went to the University of Chicago in 2006 to continue her dissertation work with her mentor, Dr. Habibul Ahsan. She shares that it was a challenge changing institutions at that transitional period, but being exposed to a new set of faculty proved very beneficial. After completing her Ph.D., Dr. Argos took a Research Associate position at the U. of C. from 2011 to 2013. During that time she conducted a survey of pregnancy outcomes among Bangladeshi females enrolled in collaborative studies, resulting in a new children’s cohort. Her current research examines the effects of in utero and early life arsenic exposure on clinical and molecular endpoints in children from this cohort in Bangladesh.

Dr. Argos offers, “I think it is important to pursue public health research in topic areas that you value and are passionate about and to have good mentorship to guide you in accomplishing your research and professional goals.” She advises young investigators to look for role models whose research interests align with theirs and with whom they are comfortable exchanging ideas. Her UIC collaborators/mentors include Dr. Victoria Persky, Dr. Mary Turyk, Dr. Jin Liu, Dr. Ramin Alemzadeh, and Dr. Peter Gann.
Dr. Argos is co-Investigator on two ongoing studies, a National Cancer Institute (NCI)-funded chemoprevention trial of selenium and vitamin E for the primary prevention of arsenic-induced skin cancers, and a NIEHS-funded longitudinal study on the chronic health effects of arsenic in adults through the Superfund Research Program. She was recently awarded two new grants. One will examine the molecular and clinical endocrine impacts of arsenic exposure in children, and the other will identify arsenic susceptibility variants using a functional screening approach. One of her research goals is to establish a project complementary to her work in Bangladesh, evaluating environmental health risks in Chicago children.
Robert Cohen, MD  
Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences

Dr. Robert Cohen, Clinical Professor in the Division of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences (EOHS), is both old and new to UIC SPH. For 32 years he practiced pulmonary and critical care medicine at John H. Stroger, Jr., Hospital of Cook County, serving as the Director of the Black Lung and Occupational Lung Disease Clinics Program at John H. Stroger, Jr., Hospital of Cook County from 1988 to 2013. From 2008 to 2013 Dr. Cohen also served both as the Chairman of the Division of Pulmonary, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine at Cook County as well as the Chairman of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine for the entire Cook County Health and Hospitals System. During his many years at Cook County he mentored numerous UIC residents and Master’s candidates. Since 1994 Dr. Cohen also held assistant and associate academic appointments with UIC’s School of Public Health in EOHS. But with his recent retirement as head of pulmonary medicine at Stroger Hospital, in September 2013 Dr. Cohen joined EOHS as a full Clinical Professor.

Dr. Cohen moved his federally funded Black Lung Clinic (BLC) grant to EOHS, providing health care screening and surveillance to Illinois coal miners and continuing education for health care providers. In fact, with the move of the grant to UIC SPH, the BLC tripled in size of staff and grant budget, especially that it now encompasses the BLC at Shawnee Health Services in Carbondale as a subawardee, and is now serving also southern Illinois and southwestern Indiana. Dr. Cohen’s main research interest is the epidemiology of occupational lung diseases (particularly dust related lung diseases), especially those diseases in miners. His main current research activity is funded through a grant from the Alpha Foundation examining the determinants of adverse health outcomes for US miners. It involves analyzing large data sets, such as federal black lung data, worker’s compensation data, and hospital discharge data. Dr. Cohen notes that currently good data exists only on active miners, and says a future goal of this research is to get improved data on retired miners and whole mining communities in order to understand the “healthy worker survivor effect.” Dr. Cohen has an Inter-Professional Agreement contract to consult with National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) on its lung diseases surveillance and research program, and in conjunction with NIOSH and the International Labour Organization (ILO) (a United Nations agency), Dr. Cohen is building an international research image repository of miners’ x-rays.

After 32 years where he was focused about 20% on research and 80% on clinical practice, teaching, and administration, Dr. Cohen decided to flip that ratio to focus primarily on public health research. His main reason is to leave a legacy beyond just the individual patients he has helped. In medical school his love of physiology led him to the specialty of pulmonology because of its broad scope of potential approaches. Then he began to enjoy more and more the public health aspects of
pulmonology. In fact, as a young doctor at Cook County he took the lead in developing a new patient isolation program as he saw several of his colleagues contract tuberculosis through occupational exposure. Some of his most rewarding and challenging work has been with Ukrainian miners over the last 10-15 years. In his approach to his career and his research Dr. Cohen shares his three rules: “You want to find work that you think is important that has really meaningful outcomes. You want to find work that you enjoy doing. So it’s great if it’s important, but you really want to enjoy the work. And the third thing is that you do this important, enjoyable work with good people, and fun to work with, and then you can do stuff.”

In keeping with that, Dr. Cohen is working with his EOHS colleagues, including Drs. Stayner, Freidman, Forst, and Zanoni to form a Miner’s Health Study Group (MHSG). The goal of the MHSG is to have activities across research, training, education, and clinical practice. The research component will include an Alpha Foundation funded study of the pathology of “rapidly progressing pneumoconiosis” and a study on chest imaging patterns. In June 2014, UIC SPH hosted the 24th International Epidemiology in Occupational Health (EPICOH) Conference, with Dr. Leslie Stayner as conference chair. Dr. Cohen presented a workshop (with his Alpha Foundation research partner Dr. Judith Graber, an adjunct professor in Epi-Bio) on the surveillance and health of mining populations. The workshop touched on future research directions involving entire mining communities, new respiratory diseases (e.g., cardiovascular), and interventions with miners into the Ukraine, Columbia, and China. Dr. Cohen recently received the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Black Lung Center of Excellence (COE) grant, one of two leading national sites for the HRSA black lung program. The COE will guide black lung clinics around the country as well as the central HRSA Black Lung Clinics Program itself, adding greater research, education, and training capacity.

An internationally recognized expert in occupational lung diseases, Dr. Cohen is an active member of the American Thoracic Society and a Fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians.
Lisa Powell, PhD
Health Policy and Administration

Dr. Lisa Powell, Professor and Associate Director of the Health Policy Center of the Institute for Health Research and Policy (IHRP), came to UIC in 2001. An economist by training, Dr. Powell earned her undergraduate degree at the University of Toronto, Trinity College. After receiving her PhD (1995) from Queen’s University in Kingston, Canada, she joined the faculty at Queen’s in the School of Policy Studies. During sabbatical as a Visiting Scholar at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago in early 2001, at a lecture Dr. Powell met UIC Distinguished Professor of Economics, Dr. Frank Chaloupka, Director of the Health Policy Center at IHRP. As a result of their meeting, Dr. Powell joined IHRP as a Visiting Research Scholar in 2001 and today, eleven years later, is the Center's Associate Director. Since 2003, Dr. Powell has also held a research faculty position in UIC’s Department of Economics.

Dr. Powell’s areas of research interest are health economics and policy, health behaviors, and obesity. While her general research interest shifted from labor to health after she joined UIC SPH, Dr. Powell says that her passion has always been to undertake empirical studies that provide evidence on the potential impact of public health and economic policies on behavioral outcomes. To this end she brings extensive experience as an applied micro-economist to bear on her analysis of large data sets.

Dr. Powell is nationally and internationally recognized for her work in the economic and environmental determinants of obesity and related disparities. Her recent work has examined the importance of food prices, sugar-sweetened beverage (SSB), and soda taxes; access to food stores, fast-food restaurants, other eating places, and facilities for physical activity; and television food advertising exposure. Dr. Powell’s research has informed public health policy on the potential impact of taxes (on SSB’s, sodas, and fast food) and subsidies (for healthful products like fruit and vegetables) on consumption and body weight. For example, see her contribution to recent pieces about soda taxes in US News & World Report: Health, KQED’s State of Health blog, The National Journal, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Her work has made fundamental advances in our understanding of the sources of disparities in obesity and has been critical to the policy debate in the U.S. on child-directed food marketing. Dr. Powell was featured in University of Illinois Hospital and Health Sciences System (UIHHSS) recent piece about her TV food marketing research, Is TV Making Your Kid Fat? Her findings are cited extensively by the NY Times, Wall Street Journal, Chicago Tribune, US News, CNN, NPR, international media, and even the First Lady Michelle Obama.

Over the course of her career, Dr. Powell has come to appreciate and benefit from branching out and working in multi-disciplinary teams. She offers that new
researchers avoid being too focused on one’s own familiar approach, narrow interest, and regular collaborators. Looking forward, Dr. Powell and her IHRP colleague, Dr. Jamie Chriqui who is a renowned policy expert, have recently proposed to assess behavior impacts of the new USDA nationwide standards on competitive foods and beverages sold in schools. Further, Dr. Powell, through her collaboration with the Director of IHRP’s Health Media Collaboratory, Dr. Sherry Emery, hopes to build on their work in media and television advertising to examine the impact of social media on food consumption patterns and youth obesity.

More recently, Dr. Powell and many others at UIC SPH were happy to learn of CDC’s award of a Prevention Research Center grant to UIC. As the grant’s principal investigator, Dr. Powell developed the application with a campus-wide group of researchers including investigators in the School of Public Health, IHRP, the College of Medicine, and the College of Applied Health Sciences. The Illinois PRC will bring together UIC researchers and community collaborators to focus on health promotion, disease prevention, and public policy and expand our research capacity.

Dr. Powell’s research is administered by IHRP and has been funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. She is an associate editor of BMC Public Health, section editor for Current Obesity Reports, and serves on a number of national and international advisory committees. Dr. Powell is the recipient of the 2013 University of Illinois at Chicago Distinguished Researcher of the Year Award in the Social Sciences.
Special Feature

Joseph A. Benitez, MPH
Health Policy and Administration

Joseph Benitez is a 4th year PhD student who recently received an R36 dissertation grant from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) for his study titled “The Effects of Medically Underserved Area (MUA) Designation on Access to Care.” The project stems from federal policy that began in 1978 involving the allocation of healthcare dollars to serve uninsured and low-income communities. The regulation required MUA designations to establish federally-funded Community Health Centers (CHC). Yet little is known about the long-term effects of the policy on access to care among those most in need. Mr. Benitez’s project will evaluate whether designating places as “underserved” has led to increased access to care among low-income, uninsured, and racial/ethnic minority groups in underserved communities. Findings will inform future health policy and health care planning efforts.

Originally from Hinesville, GA, a small military town south of Savannah, Mr. Benitez is interested in topics that focus on health disparities among medically underserved and rural populations. He studied rural health at the University of Kentucky where he earned his MPH. After graduating from Kentucky, Mr. Benitez worked at the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta for three years, where he met a UIC SPH alum who spoke highly of his alma mater. Since coming to UIC SPH, he has challenged himself by taking a rigorous course curriculum, presenting work in progress at research conferences such as AcademyHealth’s Annual Research Meeting, and the American Society of Health Economics, and ultimately preparing himself to pursue an academic research career. Mr. Benitez also joined several professional associations to increase his knowledge and breadth, including AcademyHealth, the American Economic Association, the American Society of Health Economists, the American Statistical Association, and the Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management.

Mr. Benitez’s mentor and dissertation chair, Anthony LoSasso, Professor in Health Policy and Administration (HPA), also received an R36 dissertation grant as a student and has helped others obtain the same award. Mr. Benitez considers himself very fortunate to work with Dr. LoSasso. His other dissertation committee members are Coady Wing, Assistant Professor in HPA and Lee Friedman, Assistant Professor in Environmental & Occupational Health Sciences. Two members from the UIC Department of Economics are also on his committee, Robert Kaestner and Darren Lubotsky.

As advice to other students, Mr. Benitez recommends getting to know people throughout UIC SPH. He notes that people here are supportive and want their students to succeed. He follows his own advice! He has served on the UIC SPH’s
Research Advisory Board and Diversity Strategic Directions Committee as a student representative. He suggests “start thinking about your research ideas early,” and “get good at communicating those interests—good communication takes practice.” Mr. Benitez comments that one of the best ways to “get good” at explaining your ideas is to put it to the “Grandma test”. As one professor told him, “if you can clearly explain your research idea to your grandmother, then you’re doing O.K.”

In the future, Mr. Benitez plans to apply concepts from health and labor economics to health policy research. He notes that economics provides a useful framework to think critically about healthcare policy and research strategies to answer pressing questions. As geographic disparities in access to care are likely to continue despite implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), he hopes to inform the factors that will lead to the placement of more healthcare providers in underserved communities and strategies to supplement our healthcare workforce, such as with nurse practitioners. He notes that a possible future research topic may be the role that the healthcare safety net plays in the expansion of insurance coverage.

When not investigating health-related topics, you may find Mr. Benitez in the company of Optimus Prime, Lion-O, He-Man, or G.I. Joe. An avid lover of 80’s cartoons, a highlight was getting to attend a Transformers convention on one of his birthdays. Mr. Benitez expects to graduate in May 2015.
DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS

The UIC School of Public Health includes four academic divisions, multiple programs, centers, and an institute. Below are selected highlights. Each division is actively engaged in state-of-the-art teaching and learning methods, evidence-based service, informing public policies, diverse research portfolios, and strong community collaborations.
Community Health Sciences

This year, Community Health Sciences (CHS) is proud to highlight the work of Dr. Faith Fletcher, Assistant Professor in the Division of Community Health Sciences (CHS). Dr. Fletcher joined the faculty in 2012 and is already contributing to the breadth and depth of CHS faculty.

In 2013, Dr. Fletcher received the Kaiser Permanente Burch Minority Leadership Award Program (2013-2015). She is among six researchers to receive this prestigious health policy award aimed to bolster her capacity to address health inequities among underserved HIV-positive women through an enhanced interdisciplinary, translational research framework. In 2014, Dr. Fletcher was appointed as a Visiting Professor in Minority Health through Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine's Program in Public Health. Also in 2014, Dr. Fletcher was awarded a faculty fellowship through the Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy (IRRPP) at UIC. This fellowship is designed to support research activities by funding course releases for UIC faculty members.

Dr. Fletcher was also selected as a 3-year fellow in the K12 Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health (BIRCWH) (2014-2016) through the UIC National Center of Excellence in Women's Health (CoE) (5K12HD055892-8 PI: Geller). In addition to receiving guidance and peer-to-peer mentorship in pursuing an academic research career, she will carry out an independent study to understand African American mothers and daughters' perceptions of research participation on pre-exposure prophylaxis to prevent HIV transmission. This study will dovetail with her involvement in the Fordham HIV Prevention Research Ethics Training Institute (2014-2016) sponsored by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (R25DA031608-01 PI: Fisher). As part of the ethics training program, Dr. Fletcher will explore evidence-based HIV research ethics practices.

Finally, Dr. Fletcher won a research award (2014-2015) through the Chicago Developmental Center for AIDS Research (D-CFAR) and Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS) to lead a study with Dr. Alicia Mathews to reduce smoking among women living with HIV/AIDS.
Health Policy and Administration

In the 2013-2014 academic year, faculty within the Division of Health Policy and Administration (HPA) continued to establish themselves as leaders in Public Health.

In 2014, Dr. Lisa Powell, HPA professor, along with Dr. Jamie Chriqui, HPA professor received one of 26 Prevention Research Center (PRC) grants funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to support policy and environmental change. The PRC will be administered through the Institute for Health Research and Policy (IHRP). In addition, Dr. Powell is a co-investigator of an NIH study “Environmental Attributes and Weight Control: Study of over 1.3 Million Veterans.” In January 2014, Dr. Powell was awarded the 2013 UIC Distinguished Researcher of the Year in the Social Sciences and Humanities. Dr. Chriqui continues to conduct research for “Bridging the Gap” focusing on reducing obesity in children. Dr. Chriqui received a UIC Center for Clinical and Translational Science Pilot Grant titled “Developing a Baseline Understanding of Unhealthy Snack and Beverage Availability in Chicago Public Schools” as well as a grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation titled “National School Wellness Policy.” Both grants are administered by IHRP.

UIC SPH’s HPA faculty have also contributed to the implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) in Illinois. Dr. John Dopkeen has played an essential role in the development and implementation of the ACA Navigator program in Illinois. Dr. Dopkeen has also received a grant from the Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute to investigate whether patients who are engaged make better decisions. Dr. Dopkeen in collaboration with Dr. Emily Stiehl received a grant from the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to evaluate the role of the 1115 Waiver for County Care. Dr. Stiehl is the co-investigator of an effort to train health insurance enrollees for ACA implementation in Illinois. In addition to the ACA work, Dr. Stiehl is the primary investigator on a pilot project titled “Reducing MSD risk among CNAs: An untapped strategy around models of agency.”

Dr. Julie Darnell serves on the Board of the Illinois Association of Free and Charitable Clinics and has continued work in eliminating on health disparities. Dr. Darnell is a co-investigator for two grants from the GE Foundation: the National Survey of Free and Charitable Clinics and the Chronic Disease Care Program. Similarly, Dr. Seijeoung Kim, in collaboration with Dr. Elizabeth Calhoun, continues efforts to reduce health disparities and increase education among personnel through the Center of Excellence in Eliminating Disparities (CEED), administered by IHRP. Dr. Kim is also the Primary Investigator on a grant from the National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities titled “Improving environmental health disparities: A fundamental cause approach.”
Professor Bill Kling is heavily involved in the community, serving on the Board of Plant Chicago, Econ Illinois, and the Southland Healthcare Forum. He is currently involved in projects for Plant Chicago, the Illinois African American Family Commission, and the National Great Rivers and Research & Education Center.
Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences

The Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences (EOHS) Division focuses on the health of communities exposed to air and water pollutants, the effects of climate change, and injury hazards. EOHS also concentrates on the health and well-being of people exposed to hazardous conditions at work. A highly interdisciplinary area of study, EOHS covers water quality, air pollution, environmental chemistry, industrial hygiene, toxicology, risk assessment, epidemiology, illness and injury prevention, and policy issues related to the ambient environment and the workplace.

EOHS faculty and students are conducting primary research in environmental chemistry and water quality. With funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), National Science Foundation (NSF), and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Dr. An Li studies persistent organic pollutants, particularly the fire retardant PBDEs, in environmental and human media. She recently published a NSF funded study of the relationship between chemical structure and MS fragmentation. Dr. Samuel Dorevitch is exploring pCR as a technique for early detection of indicators of contamination of recreational waterways. Dr. Yongliang Li collaborates with Dean Paul Brandt-Rauf in NIOSH funded laboratory studies to detect biomarkers associated with hazardous exposures—vinyl chloride and asbestos—and cancer outcomes. Dr. Ira Heimler has developed and is testing a new biosensing technology that will be able to detect heavy metals at very low concentrations.

EOHS is conducting epidemiological and community based research. Dr. Lee Friedman is funded by the Retirement Research Foundation to study elder abuse through records reviews in Illinois hospitals. Dr. Susan Buchanan from EOHS and Dr. Mary Turyk from Epi-Bio have teamed up to evaluate fish-eating habits and elevated mercury levels among Asian communities around the Great Lakes. Dr. Serap Erdal was recently funded by USEPA to do work on environmental justice issues on the south side of Chicago. Dr. Joseph Zanoni and Marsha Love have a series of projects related to employment by the temporary employment services sector. Dr. David Jacobs continues a series of US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funded projects to evaluate the impact of green housing on human health. Dr. Lisa Brosseau and Dr. Linda Forst are funded, along with colleagues in Community Health Sciences and Health Policy and Administration, to participate in a CDC sponsored network within the UIC SPH Prevention Research Center; the focus of this work is on the health promotion and protection of the low wage workforce.

EOHS also uses epidemiologic and predictive modeling techniques to better explain the relationships between hazardous exposures and human health. Dr. Rachael Jones has received a K Award from NIOSH to expand her knowledge
and skill in the realm of statistical analysis of occupational exposure data. She proposes two studies: one is to apply statistical techniques rarely used in occupational exposure studies to elucidate patterns in lead exposure among ironworkers. The second study develops and tests a method to use individual exposure assessment in population level, epidemiological research. David Swedler, PhD, is a newly hired Research Assistant Professor who is working in the area of injury epidemiology, incorporating mixed methods into his projects. Dr. Serap Erdal is contracted by University of Pittsburgh to conduct risk assessment for a cancer cohort. Dr. Lee Friedman has evaluated predictive models of post injury severity. Dr. Michael Cailas, Dr. Jyotsna Jagai, and Dr. Lee Friedman are doing projects that use “big data” to look at environmental, occupational, and health outcomes indicators. Dr. Cailas has acquired a node on the university’s super computer to do this work. This expertise is being spread to other researchers via classroom and online courses on GIS, SADA, and “R.”

EOHS assists local, state, national and global agencies with technical consultation to implement new policies and to increase effectiveness and efficiency in the realms of hazard assessment, health and hazard surveillance, data management, and outreach to community and workplace constituencies. Dr. An Li and her students conduct sediment surveillance under contract by the USEPA to look at persistent organic pollutants in the Great Lakes. Dr. Lee Friedman is developing a state of the art data management system for the Illinois Workers’ Compensation Commission’s First Report of Injury forms. Dr. Rachael Jones is consulting on infectious disease transmission in occupational settings. Dr. Samuel Dorevitch has a grant from the CDC to work with state and local health departments on climate change adaptation. Dr. Preethi Pratap evaluated training toolkits for the World Health Organization and a program funded by the USDA on food safety. Drs. Lee Friedman and Linda Forst serve as the bona fide agent of the Illinois Department of Public Health, funded by NIOSH, to conduct occupational health surveillance in the State. Dr. Linda Forst developed and is testing a curriculum on artisanal and small scale gold mining for the World Health Organization to support the newly established Minamata Convention on mercury. Dr. Daniel Hryhorczuk and Dr. Irina Dardynskaia are funded by Fogarty International to support research and research training in Ukraine and Eastern Europe. Dr. Irina Dardynskaia has a R21 project using mixed methods to build scientific knowledge on the multilevel risk associated with labor migration that can lead to HIV infection, as well as barriers to care. This project focuses on men from the Former Soviet Union who have come to St. Petersburg, Russia as labor migrants.

EOHS studies regional policy initiatives. Dr. Sherry Brandt Rauf and her students studied employment violations raised in the temporary employment services sector. Their policy document was used by the State of California to pass new protective legislation for this workforce. Further, it was used by the American Public Health Association to frame a policy recommendation. Work with the Chicago Workers’ Collaborative, a community based organization that reaches out to “temp” workers joined EOHS faculty for a meeting with Dr. David Michaels, the
head of Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to provide input to national policy initiatives. Hydraulic fracturing is set to begin in Illinois in 2015. **Ms. Brandt-Rauf** worked on a policy study. **Dr. Susan Kaplan** and colleagues conducted an Illinois stakeholder’s survey to obtain opinions on the new effort. **Drs. Rachael Jones** and **Jyotsna Jagai** submitted a proposal to the Chancellor’s Discovery Fund to do systematic background work to study hazards of fracking. Urban Sustainability is the focus for a planning grant with the College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs (CUPPA); **Dr. Samuel Dorevitch** is the collaborator. **Dr. Cindy Klein-Banai** put forth a proposal to develop sustainability activities and student training opportunities on campus. **Dr. Robert Cohen** is doing work related to occupational lung disease with a focus on miners’ health, including health surveillance, consultation to Federal agencies, clinical research, and continuing education. Funded by the US Department of Labor, the Mine Safety and Health Administration, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, and the Alpha Foundation, **Dr. Cohen** leads a Black Lung Center of Excellence, studies the epidemiology of occupational lung disease, advises on chest x-ray B-reading standards, and develops continuing education courses. **Dr. David Swedler** is providing data analysis support for this work.

The Occupational and Environmental Health and Safety Education and Research Center at the University of Illinois at Chicago (Illinois ERC) was competitively reviewed and approved for $8.25 million over 5 years. The Illinois ERC supports graduate academic training in Industrial Hygiene, Occupational Safety, Occupational Medicine, Occupational Epidemiology, and Agricultural Safety and Health. It also provides comprehensive occupational safety and health continuing education to practitioners in the region as well as research training to trainees in our program and new occupational safety and health researchers in our region.
Epidemiology and Biostatistics

In Academic Year 2013-2014, the faculty in the division of Epidemiology and Biostatistics continued to be leaders in asthma and environmental epidemiology, cancer, maternal-child health epidemiology, aging, infectious diseases, violence, oral health, and in the development of novel statistical approaches to public health research.

**Dr. Robert Bailey** continued his HIV prevention research on male circumcision in Kenya. He received NIH funding to investigate two different models for scaling up safe infant male circumcision services. He also obtained a supplement to that grant to investigate a new device that claims to perform adult male circumcision painlessly without anesthesia or sutures. Dr. Bailey is also about to start a study of men who have sex with men in Kisumu, Kenya. In collaboration with **Dr. Supriya Mehta**, the University of Washington, and Kenya, they aim to test 700 men for HIV and offer antiretroviral treatment to those who are positive. The study will assess the acceptability of and adherence to treatment and is part of the current emphasis on HIV treatment as prevention (TasP), which is expected to reduce HIV incidence profoundly. Dr. Supriya Mehta received RO1 NIH funding to study the effect of the penile microbiome on bacterial vaginosis, genital ulcer disease, and genital epithelial trauma: co-factors that increase the risk of HIV acquisition. This research may identify important microbial treatment targets to decrease the prevalence these of cofactors. **Dr. Leslie Stayner** organized and chaired an international conference “EPICOH 2014 Conference on “Challenges for Occupational Epidemiology in the 21st Century” in Chicago, in June, 2014. **Dr. Victoria Persky** was funded by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) for an asthma intervention to reduce asthma morbidity through education, training of parents and community health workers, and coordination of care. As such, her outstanding work in Chicago’s Englewood community will now be extended to the Little Village/Back of the Yards/Pilsen; Atlgeld Gardens; Roseland; and Robbins communities. **Dr. Mary Turyk** co-led the “Addressing Asthma in Englewood Project” and as it ended, she evaluated effects of trigger reduction and self-management education on asthma morbidity. She also continued to explore the important link between Great Lakes sport fish consumption, persistent organic pollutants (POPs), and Diabetes Mellitus by contributing to a review of this association in epidemiological studies with a distinguished group of international scientists, including leaders at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS). **Dr. Maria Argos** received RO1 funding from NIEHS to assess associations between in utero and early life arsenic exposure to endocrine-related outcomes in 5-7 year old children, including thyroid and steroid hormones, gene expression profiles, and endocrine-related phenotypes (i.e., linear growth, blood pressure, and insulin resistance) in a prospective study of 500 mother-child pairs in rural Bangladesh. **Dr. Therese Dolecek** received the NCRA Journal of Registry Management “Best Paper 2013” Award for her paper “The Impact of the Benign Brain Tumor Cancer Registries Amendment Act (Public Law 107-260) on Non-
Malignant Brain and Central Nervous System Tumor Incidence Trends." Dr. Kristin Rankin is the principal investigator of a newly funded study entitled "Receipt of the Recommended Postpartum Visit and Effective Postpartum Contraception for Low-Income Illinois Women: A Medicaid Claims Analysis." Dr. Jay Olshansky continued to advocate for research for the Longevity Dividend Initiative (LDI) – a contemporary effort to extend the period of healthy life by slowing the processes of aging. In fact he authored a position paper this year “Articulating a Case for the Longevity Dividend” that was published in Public Policy & Aging Report. Furthermore, his group met with the White House’s Office of Science and Technology Policy to advocate for LDI research. With colleagues at UIC’s College of Pharmacy, Dr. Ronald Hershshow developed a certificate program in Pharmacoepidemiology designed to enable pharmaceutical industry personnel to perform population-level drug safety monitoring. Dr. Hua Yun Chen and Dr. Hakan Demirtas continued to publish on biostatistical methods. Amazingly, Dr. Demirtas published 14 methodological papers, 6 as first author. Dr. Hui Xie continued to thrive as a biostatistical collaborator and theoretical biostatistician providing consultation to the UIC Cancer Center. He served as biostatistician for a group that obtained funding to conduct a phase 1 drug trial for advanced pancreatic cancer and he and other colleagues were published in the prestigious journal JAMA on the effect of soy protein isolate supplementation on prostate cancer recurrence - a randomized placebo-controlled trial.

The faculty continues to mentor Masters and PhD students. Dr. Nelli Westercamp was awarded the Haenszel award for her groundbreaking work on adult male circumcision in Kenya. She and husband Dr. Matt Westercamp were accepted to the CDC’s prestigious Epidemic Intelligence Service. Dr. Matt Westercamp is currently in Liberia working on the global response to the Ebola Virus outbreak.
Global Health Program

The UIC School of Public Health Global Health Program supports education, research, and practice across the multiple disciplines of public health in discovering new approaches and applying creative solutions to health and disease challenges internationally and domestically. In academic year 2013-2014, 41 Master of Public Health (MPH) students were enrolled in the global health concentration from across UIC SPH divisions with 12 completing their graduate degree.

MPH Global Health Concentration students conduct their field practicums in either an international setting or in collaboration with the many diverse socio-cultural and ethnic populations in Chicago. In addition, a number of other students who are not in the concentration take advantage of the field opportunities that the Global Health Program (GHP) provides. International sites in 2013 included India, Nepal, Kenya, Dominican Republic, Uganda, Mexico, The Gabon, Tonga, Rwanda, and Argentina. Both the annual summer Kenya Program and the spring field experience in Haiti proved a popular means for students to gain global health competency. The summer Kenya program also served as a leg-up into international work for one student who returned to Kenya after being hired by the organization for which she worked. Continuing a student exchange program that began the previous year, UIC SPH hosted the summer field experiences of 4 MPH students from the National Institute of Public Health (NISP) of Mexico and one of our UIC SPH students conducted her MPH field practicum in Cuernavaca. Two SPH students in the Peace Corp Master’s International Program served in Malawi and Botswana. The Fogarty AIDS International Training and Research Program at UIC supported the studies of 12 scholars from its 4 partnering countries with 3 fellows completing their doctoral degrees.

Guided by an active student leadership team, the Global Health Student Interest Group (GHSIG) organized or co-hosted a series of scientific presentations and social gatherings including International Night that continues to be one of the School’s most popular annual events. In addition to its other activities, the GHSIG also partnered with the Chicago Developmental Center for AIDS Research and the Fogarty AIDS International Training and Research Program to honor UIC SPH World AIDS Day 2013. The GHSIG co-hosted a major HIV lecture and reception, organized an AIDS scientific panel, arranged free HIV testing during the day for those who wanted to learn their HIV status, held a film screening of an award-winning HIV documentary, and arranged for leading Chicago nongovernment agencies and other AIDS community stakeholders to discuss their programs at informational desks in the SPH lobby.

Our UIC SPH faculty was actively involved in global health research, having successfully competed for over $4 million in GH research funds, and the program awarded almost $20,000 in student support for field practicums. Meanwhile, lectures, seminars and informational workshops held by the Global
Health Program throughout the year helped to stimulate and enrich the School’s learning environment. UIC SPH Celebration of World Health Day, for example, which was jointly sponsored by Community Health Sciences, featured excerpts from the international award-winning film “Girl Rising,” followed by a lively discussion of the implications of world-wide education for girls by a panel of community experts.

The UIC SPH Global Health Initiative Committee (GHIC) met to develop a strategic plan for further enhancing and ensuring the growth of global health research, teaching, and service in UIC SPH. The GHIC prioritized the need to secure support for a funded Professorship that would include assuming major responsibility for directing the Global Health Program. The committee also identified the serious shortage of global health faculty across divisions given strong student/market demand and the many emerging opportunities internationally for faculty and student research and practice. With support from Dean Brandt-Rauf and the SPH Development Office, plans for a Global Health Challenge matching grant were developed to help meet these needs. Alyson Lofthouse was appointed as Associate Director. Judith Levy, Chair of the GHIC since its inception, agreed to serve as Interim Director for a projected two-year period at which time the UIC SPH goal is to have the position successfully funded, widely advertised, and possibly filled.
The Institute for Health Research and Policy

The Institute for Health Research and Policy (IHRP) stimulates and supports high-quality research that aims to improve population health through a multidisciplinary perspective. The UIC School of Public Health administers the institute, the campus’s largest unit devoted to research, on behalf of all UIC colleges. IHRP brings together faculty from UIC SPH and eight other colleges to examine complex population health challenges, including obesity, tobacco use, diabetes, cancer and an aging society; examine behavioral, policy and socioeconomic influences on health; and develop and test interventions to improve health behaviors, practices and programs.

In FY2014, the institute was awarded more than $18.4 million in external research funding, ranking it among the top UIC campus departments for research productivity. Most funding was continuation of grants awarded in previous years, with several important new grants.

Dr. Jamie Chriqui, professor of health policy and administration, was funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to sustain the largest, ongoing nationwide evaluation of the strength, comprehensiveness and content of school wellness district policies. School districts have been mandated by Congress to keep wellness policies since the 2006-2007 school year, when Chriqui’s team began collecting and tracking them as well as related statutory and administrative laws from every state. The new funding allows for data collection and analysis for the 2013-2014 school year. This research was instrumental in shaping the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act, the USDA’s updated snack standards for schools, and changes in wellness policy regulations proposed in 2014.

Dr. Angela Kong, an IHRP research scientist, was awarded her first NIH grant as a principal investigator. With R21 funding, she will test the use of Universal Product Code scanners to comprehensively inventory food and drink products in 90 low-income households of African American and Latino families with young children. The study will identify modifiable targets in the home for future obesity prevention interventions focusing on this population. Kong developed her study and proposal as a postdoctoral trainee in the Cancer Education and Career Development Program.

IHRP researchers continue to be at the forefront of tobacco control research. In September 2013, the National Institutes of Health partnered with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to award $53 million to generate research to inform the regulation of tobacco products. Over $7 million will support IHRP research in this initiative, the Tobacco Centers of Regulatory Science (TCORS). Dr. Sherry Emery, senior research scientist and director of IHRP’s Health Media Collaboratory, is principal investigator of the Media Data Acquisition and Content Analysis Core of University of Pennsylvania’s TCORS, which will study the effect of tobacco product messages. She also is a co-investigator on a Penn project to
examine how information and misinformation about tobacco products in traditional and new media alter the beliefs, attitudes, intentions, and tobacco use of teens and young adults. **Dr. Frank Chaloupka**, distinguished professor of economics and director of IHRP’s Health Policy Center, is principal investigator of a TCORS project to produce new evidence to inform the FDA’s economic impact assessments of future proposed rules concerning use of tobacco products.
Cure Violence

In 2014, UIC SPH Cure Violence division expanded by leaps and bounds with ongoing validation of the model as a Public Health approach. In September, in recognition of UIC’s public health approach to curtailing violence throughout the country, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation awarded Cure Violence a three-year 7.2 million dollar grant to expand its work in current cities and expand to 5-7 additional cities. To date, Cure Violence operates in 25 cities throughout the country with 50 plus sites within them.

The State of Illinois awarded Cure Violence a 4.7 million dollar grant to continue activities in 22 communities (16 in Chicago; 6 outside Chicago). The Illinois program also receives support from a diverse and growing community of foundations and personal donors. In Illinois, Cure Violence programs are located at Orr Academy and in three level one trauma centers: Advocate Christ Medical Center, John H. Stroger, and Northwestern Memorial Hospital of Cook County.

In 2014, Chicago communities replicating the Cure Violence model experienced a 13% decline in homicides and a 15% decline in shootings. A total a 699 conflict mediations and 1,273 hospital responses to victims of trauma (gunshot wounds, stabbings, etc.) were conducted to prevent initial acts of violence or retaliations. Findings from an external evaluation conducted by the University of Chicago and UIC in two Chicago communities, showed CeaseFire intervention in the targeted districts was associated with a 38% greater decrease in homicides, 1% greater decrease in total violent crimes (including domestic violence), and a 15% greater decrease in shootings as compared to districts that did not receive intervention. Furthermore, CeaseFire intervention had an immediate positive effect on levels of homicide, shootings, and total violent crime that remained throughout the entire intervention period; these effects are significantly greater than the effects that would be expected given the declining trends in crime in the city as a whole.

Cities and countries throughout the world are exploring the utility of the Cure Violence approach to reduce violence. Internationally, the Cure Violence model is being replicated in Honduras, Mexico, Canada, Trinidad, South Africa and Puerto Rico. Pre-implementation plans are also taking place in Columbia, and Brazil. In the US, Baltimore, New Orleans, New York, Philadelphia, Kansas City, Oakland, Camden, Wilmington DE, and San Antonio have already seen a reduction in violence since implementation, and New York continues to appropriate more funds for local and statewide expansion of the Cure Violence health approach. In August, New York City expanded the model from 7 to 10 sites with an additional 12.9 million dollars. By mid-2015, New York City will have 19 communities implementing the Cure Violence model bringing the total number in the state to 30, exceeding the number in our home town of Illinois.
Office of Diversity and Inclusion

In 2013-2014, diversity in action was truly the motto of the Dean’s Office. It marked a change in diversity leadership, with Dr. Shaffdeen Amuwo stepping down after over 25 years of service from the role of Associate Dean and most recently as Executive Director of the Urban Health and Diversity Programs Office. Dr. Ebbin Dotson was hired in January 2014 to help continue efforts in the newly named Office of Diversity and Inclusion (ODI). The ODI has been charged with an enhanced mission to serve the diversity and inclusion needs of students, faculty, staff, and community. Between these two offices, UIC SPH supported minority student recruitment with the bi-annual conferences and a GRE preparation course, incoming students in the Pre-Matriculation Program, current students via support of the Minority Health in the Midwest Conference, and community partnerships with Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

ODI continued the Bi-Annual Career Opportunities for Minorities in Public Health Conference targeting minority student recruitment. The ODI reached over 100 underrepresented college students attending either the October 2013 conference commemorating Latino/Native American Heritage month, or the January 2014 conference commemorating Dr. Martin Luther King’s public health conference. These conferences focused on disparities in the production of public health professionals who are African Americans, Latinos, and Native Americans.

ODI sponsored three Kaplan GRE Preparation courses in support of minority student recruitment. The Kaplan Graduation Records Examination (GRE) Preparation course is designed to assist and increase prospective applicants from underrepresented and disadvantaged communities to prepare and earn a competitive GRE score. Students learn the best test taking strategies in the quantitative, verbal and essay section of the GRE in a structured and supportive environment. Over 50 students were able to take advantage of this discounted GRE preparation program.

ODI welcomed another great Pre-Matriculation Program (PMP) cohort. ODI sponsored another great PMP summer cohort primarily focused on newly admitted Latino, African American and Native American public health students. During the month of July, seven students were invited to participate in an intensive preliminary education program to strengthen their academic competitiveness in SPH. The Pre-Matriculation Program is designed for Latino, African American and Native American students who are interested in strengthening their academic and professional skills for the rigors of Graduate School. This cohort also earned a student ambassador certificate for participation in a new module-based Student Leadership Program.

ODI supported the 2014 Minority Health in the Midwest Conference. On February 28, 2014, a student-led committee from UIC SPH held the Fifth Annual Minority Health in the Midwest Conference: “Innovative Approaches for Building Health
Equity.” It was conducted in conjunction with the 35th Annual Minority Conference at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill-Gillings School of Global Public Health. This event boasted well over 400 participants representing a diverse group of health disparity researchers and human rights advocates from approximately 50 academic institutions, government agencies, and community organizations.

ODI hosted a Historically Black Colleges and University President. On April 12, 2014, in an effort to building stronger community partnerships, the ODI launched its Historically Black Colleges and University (HBCU) Pipeline Connection program by hosting a welcome celebration for the President of Langston University and the Chicago Area Alumni Chapter of Langston University. As part of the event, Langston University President, Dr. Kent Smith and UIC SPH Assistant Dean of Urban Health and Diversity Programs, Dr. Ebbin Dotson, addressed over 20 of Langston’s Alumni, including the Alumni Association National President. They each discussed the topic of Bridging the Academic Pipeline for Diversity, presenting ways to improve minority students’ access to advanced degrees in public health.
Community Outreach Intervention Projects

In 2013-2014, the Community Outreach Intervention Projects (COIP) continued its tradition of education and training, research, services and community outreach. **COIP provided training and education in community-based public health** to the Civic Education Project (CEP) of middle and high school students and their mentors at Northwestern University, 60 students from UIC College Prep High School, and a Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow from Myanmar. COIP also served as the springboard for three students: Elizabeth Bowden, PhD, who completed her dissertation on HIV/AIDS and other health risks faced by people who are homeless or do not have a stable living situation, Ericka Duncan, an Americorps volunteer on multiple research projects, and John Lalomio, who completed his MPH capstone on the social support networks of young persons who inject drugs. Finally, COIP partnered with several colleges and departments at the University of Illinois as well as Rush University to provide training in community-based health care. Participants included medical, nursing, infectious disease, occupational therapy, psychology and public health students.

**COIP continued its active research program** funded by the NIH, CDC, and Illinois and Chicago Departments of Health. Ongoing studies focus on increasing medication adherence among HIV+ youth in Kigali, Rwanda, improving HIV testing, treatment, and retention in care among currently and recently released prisoners, program outcomes for injection drug users, reducing HIV-risk among juvenile offenders and African American mothers and daughters, family-based HIV prevention for youth in South Africa, the impact of trauma exposure on dating violence and HIV-risk, the role of social networks and geography in the HIV and HCV risk of young injection drug users, a prototype multi-level (i.e., individual, networks, geography) computational tool for studying hepatitis C virus (HCV), HIV, and other epidemics, and collecting HIV surveillance data for the National HIV Behavioral Surveillance Study (NHBS).

**COIP clients are low-income, underserved, and affected by significant health disparities.** COIP sites offer HIV medical, mental health and pharmacy care, screening and counseling for HIV, hepatitis C virus (HCV) and substance use. For HCV we provide rapid, oral antibody testing and virus (RNA) detection. HCV infected individuals are enrolled in an intensive case management program to assist with treatment readiness and linkage to care. In collaboration with the University of Chicago, the HCV program will be expanded starting in October 2014 to provide direct HCV care services to more than 10,000 Chicago residents. COIP also offers hepatitis B vaccinations in collaboration with CDPH, and HIV prevention support groups in collaboration with New Age Services Corporation. COIP staff provides less formal “care” through annual Thanksgiving and Christmas luncheons with UIC’s HIV Community Care Network and the South Chicago Latino Resource Institute, serving hot meals to over 180 clients and community residents. In December, the University Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health’s Dean’s Office collected toys and gifts for 60 families served by COIP, UIC SPH faculty
donated essential health and clothing items, and the UIC chapter of the Student National Medical Association hosted a holiday fundraiser to benefit COIP.

**COIP’s community outreach and media exposure is growing.** In August, COIP hosted two “Over 50” health fairs in collaboration with Rush University, and in October, Marisela Ramirez, COIP’s business manager, received the prestigious UIC Award of Merit exemplifying the very best of UIC’s core values. A Medill journalism professor visited COIP to learn more about our advocacy and health work in the surrounding community, and COIP’s HCV program was featured in a front page Tribune article (http://www.chicagotribune.com/health/ct-aca-prevention-met-20140707,0,306984.story). Our many valued partnerships and collaborations continue, including the AIDS Foundation of Chicago, IL Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Stanford University, CDPH, IDPH, the Latino Resource Institute, South Side Help Center, Department of Probation and Court Services, and Cermak Health Services. Finally, COIP staff hosted UIC Board of Trustees Chair, Chris Kennedy, who visited COIP to learn about our services and research.
ACTIVITIES OF THE OFFICE OF RESEARCH SERVICES

In FY2014, UIC SPH faculty actively engaged in research, submitting 186 applications across all UIC SPH divisions and programs. The Office of Research Services (ORS) assisted in 56 submissions (30%).

Committee on Research

The Committee on Research was formed this year. On September 16th, the UIC SPH Full Faculty, at the recommendation of the Executive Committee, authorized a Committee on Research that will to be responsible for reviewing overall policies regarding research activities in the School of Public Health.

The Committee on Research shall:

1. Advise the Executive Committee and Office of the Dean on all aspects of policy regarding research activities within the School.
2. Assist the Office of the Dean in establishing policies and procedures for research by:
   a) Reviewing strengths and weaknesses of research policies and activities within the School;
   b) Identifying areas for future development of research at the School;
   c) Identifying research infrastructure strengths and weaknesses including needs for information technology, laboratory facilities and support systems adequacy and safety, and pre-and post-award grant support.
   d) Developing recommendations regarding infrastructure support;
   e) Developing strategies for providing incentives at the investigator and college levels, including establishing guidelines for internal research funding; and
   f) Enhancing integration of research into the educational mission

Grantsmanship Workshops

In FY2014, ORS maintained many of the activities implemented last year. Monthly grantsmanship workshops continue to be very popular. Presentations included:

- Finding funding opportunities and how to read a funding announcement
- How to prepare a NIH application
- Strategies in strengthening specific aims, abstracts, and project narratives
- Strategies in strengthening the research approach
• Planning for resubmission of your grant
• What happens in a NIH peer review session and lessons learned

**New presentations this year included:**

• How to build community collaborative relationships
• Human subject concerns in working with communities
• How to put a dissertation grant application together

In addition, UIC SPH ORS staff was invited to make presentations for campus groups including the UIC Center for Clinical and Translational Sciences and students in HPA 591 to foster grant writing skills for new investigators.

**Seed Funding Competitions**

UIC SPH ORS successfully ran its **SPH Seed Funding Competition** in Spring of 2014. The goal of the initiative is to provide funding for small grants with the greatest likelihood to lead to external NIH funding. Faculty and researchers with more than 50% effort in the current academic year (teaching, clinical, and research) dedicated to the School of Public Health were eligible to apply. For the spring competition, seven applications were submitted and two were funded (see below).
SPRING 2014 SEED FUNDING AWARDEES

Mary Turyk, PhD, Associate Professor, Epidemiology and Biostatistics

Maria Argos, PhD, Assistant Professor, Epidemiology and Biostatistics

Title: Evaluation of environmental exposures in Chicago youth with metabolic dysfunction

Amount Awarded: $21,926

This project aims to characterize environmental risk factors in Chicago youth with metabolic dysfunction and to explore associations of cardiometabolic traits with those environmental exposures. We expect the data generated through this proposed pilot research to inform and support the development of a larger research study evaluating the role of environmental chemicals in relation to diabetes, metabolic syndrome and obesity in children and adolescents the future.

Naoko Muramatsu, PhD, Associate Professor, Community Health Sciences Fellow, Institute for Health Research and Policy

Title: Long Term Care Policies and Caregiving: Time Use in Japan and the United States

Amount Awarded: $19,833

This U.S.-Japan comparative study seeks to shift caregiving and long-term care research from an almost exclusive focus on one country to one that is informed by another country’s experience. This project will produce new knowledge on the distribution of care work across sociodemographic groups within the United States and Japan and across the two countries. The results will produce critical infrastructure for future research on time use related to caregiving and health promoting activities with life course and global perspectives.
2013-2014 GRANT PROPOSAL SUBMISSIONS AND AWARDS

SUBMITTED GRANT PROPOSALS (JULY 1, 2012 – JUNE 30, 2013)

**FIGURE 1: Total New Proposals Submitted by SPH**

New Proposal Submission by Status (as of December 12, 2014)
Based on UIC Submission Date for the Period 7/1/2011 and 6/30/2014
Based on Proposal Submitted Date

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Figure 1 illustrates the trend of proposal submissions across three fiscal years, 2012, 2013, and 2014. Data show that the rate of submissions increased by 12% from FY13 to FY14. Awards remained constant from FY12 to FY13. Pending grants in 2014 are 36%. The data is inclusive of all sponsored activity administered in the School of Public Health and includes grants administered in the Institute for Health Research and Policy (IHRP).
Figure 2: Total Proposal Submissions by Unit (FY2012-2014)

Cure Violence CPVP | Community Outreach Intervention Projects COIP | Community Health Sciences CHS | Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences EOHS | Epidemiology and Biostatistics Epi/Bio | Health Policy and Administration HPA | Institute for Health Research and Policy IHRP

Figure 2 IHRP faculty consistently submit the most proposals followed by faculty in the Division of Epidemiology and Biostatistics. In addition, EOHS reflects a consistent increase in the past 3 years as well as COIP.

Figure 3: Number of Awards by Unit (FY2012-2014)

Figure 3 Consistent with the number of submissions, IHRP faculty also receive the most awards among all UIC SPH units. Although all the FY 2014 grants are not in yet, HPA, CHS, and EOHS have received more awards than 2013.
**FIGURE 4: Number of Proposal Submissions by Type of Sponsor**
Based on Submitted Date for the Period between 7/1/2011 and 6/30/2014

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**Figure 4** shows the 3-year trend of the number of proposals submitted to different sponsors. Increased submissions are seen in FY2013 to 2014 to all sponsors except for for-profit sponsors.

**FIGURE 5: Number of Awards by Sponsor (FY2012-2014)**

**Figure 5** indicates the number of proposals awarded by each sponsor in FY12 – FY14. Data are pending for FY14, but it is noteworthy that more awards were received in FY14 from HHS/Other Federal, State of Illinois, and Other Government than during FY13. The number of awards received from NIH remained the same as 2013, despite the more difficult funding climate.
Figure 6 shows the direct, indirect, and total dollars requested in FY12 – FY14. Overall, proposals requested less money in direct costs over the three years. From FY12 to FY13, the amount of requested dollars decreased by 8%, but the difference was less significance from FY13 to FY14.

Figure 7 provides the actual direct, indirect and total dollars awarded for FY12 – FY14. There was a slight increase in direct and total dollars from FY12 – FY13, and a decrease in direct and total dollars from FY13 – FY14. The percentage of direct cost dollars received based on those submitted also decreased from 57% in FY12 to 42% in FY14. There was an increase in FY13 by 71%, likely resulting from the stimulus funds provided by the federal government.
Figure 8 shows the total amount received from UIC SPH’s primary sponsors in FY12 – FY14. Several awards are still being processed for FY14, but two trends are noteworthy. The dollars received from HHS/Other Federal sponsors increased significantly from FY12 to FY14 and the amount of dollars from NIH and the State of Illinois decreased over time. This is unsurprising given the current funding climate in both Illinois and the NIH.
The 9th Annual Student Research and Practice Awards Day was held on April 8, 2014 and was attended by over 100 students, faculty, staff, donors, and guests. Master’s and doctoral students competed for awards in (1) public health research; (2) public health practice; (3) global health; (4) maternal child health; and (5) health equity. Undergraduate students competed for an award that recognizes exceptional work in undergraduate research or practice. Participants were judged on abstract submission, poster design, and oral presentation by 30 faculty and alumni judges. Faculty represented all four divisions for the school-wide Master’s and Doctoral competitions, Community Health Sciences, Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences, Epidemiology and Biostatistics, and Health Policy and Administration. In addition, nine alumni served as Master’s and Doctoral school-wide judges. The competitions in Undergraduate Public Health, Global Health, and Maternal and Child Health were each evaluated by two judges, and the Health Equity competition was evaluated by three judges.

Thirty-nine students participated in the event, many of whom entered into more than one competition. Six represented the Division of Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety, eleven represented the Division of Community Health Sciences, nine represented the Division of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, and five represented the Division of Health Policy Administration. Four presenters were undergraduates and two were school-wide DrPH students. This year, the forum opened to students from the Institute for Health Research and Policy (IHRP). Two doctoral students from the UIC Department of Economics with mentors housed in IHRP participated. Eight posters focused on global health, twelve emphasized health disparities, and one poster focused on maternal and child health.

Most students were on site to present their work to a panel of judges, fellow classmates, faculty, alumni and other members of the SPH community. Other students presented remotely via Adobe connect as part of their distance education program. Posters were available for public viewing in the mid-afternoon followed by an awards ceremony and reception.
Congratulations to Our Winners!

**Research Competition**

*Undergraduate Level*
Isabel Ruvalcaba, BA Public Health Program
*Exploring the mental health status of domestic workers and the use of stress management workshop*

*Master’s Level*
Jessica Cataldo, Division of Community Health Sciences
*Race versus place: examining health disparities in Marion County, Indiana*

*Doctoral Level*
Erin Starzyk, Division of Community Health Sciences
*Assessment of healthcare providers’ infant male circumcision communicative practices*

**Practice Competition**

*Master’s Level*
Rachel Reichlin, Division of Community Health Sciences
*Path to prevention for Eritrean refugees and asylum-seekers in Israel*

*Doctoral level*
Michele Thornton, Division of Health Policy and Administration
*ACA navigators in Illinois: an analysis of training efficacy*

**Global Health**
Rachel Perry, Division of Community Health Sciences
*A brief educational intervention changes knowledge and attitudes about contraception for adolescents in rural Ghana*
Towards Health Equity
Jessica Cataldo, Division of Community Health Sciences

Race versus place: examining health disparities in Marion County, Indiana

Katya Seligman, Division of Community Health Sciences
Cultural beliefs regarding treatments for cancer in childhood cancer survivors

Maternal and Child Health
Rachel Perry, Division of Community Health Sciences
A brief educational intervention changes knowledge and attitudes about contraception for adolescents in rural Ghana
ACTIVE GRANTS AND CONTRACTS:
July 1, 2013 through July 30, 2014
ACTIVE AWARDS ADMINISTERED IN THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014

Susan Altfeld
Evaluation of Illinois Evidence-Based Care Transitions Project (IL Department on Aging)

Shaffdeen Amuwo
Comparative Effectiveness Research/PCCC-Westat (Westat)

Robert Anderson
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**TOP THEMES:**
- HIV/AIDS
- Occupational Health
- Health Management and Promotion
- Mental Health
- Substance Use
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