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Chancellor Awards Jeff Oxendine



Jeff Oxendine, Associate Dean for Public Health Practice and Executive Director of CPHP, was the recipient of this year's Chancellor's Award for Public Service - Civic Engagement (Faculty). He was honored and recognized for his outstanding public service and the honor he brings to the university.

Jeff has led CPHP and the Center for Multicultural Health to support local initiatives aimed at improving the health of underserved populations. He is also the Founder and President of the national non-profit, Health Career Connections. Jeff inspires and empowers hundreds of undergraduate and graduate students, primarily under-represented and disadvantaged, to pursue health careers, become health leaders, and serve underserved communities.

The Chancellor's Awards for Public Service recognize UC Berkeley individuals and groups who have distinguished themselves through their public service and honor the community partners whose ideas, energy, and collaborative spirit have improved their neighborhoods and the quality of life for local residents. A reception honoring the recipients was hosted by Chancellor Robert and Mary Catherine Birgeneau at University House on April 28, 2008. ■

Congratulations to the Global Public Health Awardees!



The **Center for Global Public Health (CGPH)** is a new multi-disciplinary center at UC Berkeley that seeks to synergize faculty research on critical global health issues, facilitate the training of the next generation of researchers and leaders in global public health, and inform and educate the media, government, multi-lateral agencies, the general public, and private sector donors about global health issues and solutions. CGPH hopes to foster partnerships to facilitate evidence-based implementation designs that deliver measurable public health impact at the community level.

As a part of CGPH's mission, a graduate student fellowship program to support international research has been established. Under this fellowship, awards up to \$5,000 will be made to qualified students to support international travel and research activities beginning Summer 2008.

The Fellowship Program was designed to support a project any time of the year for two to three months, with approved faculty project research sites abroad. These sites include long-term field study sites of UC Berkeley and UC San Francisco faculty members in Latin America, Asia, and Africa. The CGPH Fellowships were facilitated by CPHP Field Supervisors **Guenet Sabsibe** and **Sona Saha** and the Fellowship Committee. This year's process included 17 proposals and, through a competitive process, seven fellowships were awarded to the following students:

Sara Stern-Nezer - Epi/Bio, MPH (c) – Zambia; **Nishat Shiek** - EHS, MPH (c) – Guatemala; **Janice Meerman** - PHN, MPH (c) – Sri Lanka (not pictured); **Kevin Yuen** - Epi/Biostat, MPH (c) – China; **Terrence Lo** - Epi, DrPH (c) – India; **Dave Dauphin** - EHS, PhD (c) – Chile; **Brooke Finkmoore** - Epi/Biostat, DrPH (c) - Brazil (not pictured).

Congratulations and Safe Travels!!

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SAVE THE DATE

Preceptor & Student Recognition Event
September 25 · 5:30pm – 7:30pm at Alumni House

From the Director

Improving practice opportunities for students, recruiting new students into public health, and enhancing training for public health professionals have been the primary activities of the Center for Public Health Practice for the past six years. This was none more apparent than in the past six months!

As you may know, Spring tends to be the busiest time for CPHP in working with our Master of Public Health students who are required to complete field placements towards their degrees. This year, CPHP helped to match over 105 MPH students to internship sites, both domestically and internationally. Through the Eustace-Kwan Fellowship program, we allocated \$50,000 to 13 MPH so that they could work in community-based organizations. We look forward to those fellows making meaningful contributions to the Greater San Francisco Bay Area community. In addition, with the creation of the Center for Global Public Health led by Dr. Eva Harris, CPHP was instrumental in the development and administration of the Global Health Fellowship program, which allocated \$30,000 to graduate students in the School of Public Health. Many of the graduate students would not have been able to go abroad to work on global public health issues without the fellowship award.

We also focused on recruitment this Spring. Through our partnership with the Pacific Public Health Training Center (PPHTC), a HRSA-funded collaborative, CPHP organized and participated in three conferences to promote the public health profession to underrepresented populations. The conference in Berkeley attracted over 100 participants. We are already planning future conferences to encourage individuals from underrepresented populations to consider public health as a career.

Partnering with the Public Health Institute, reports from the two-year California Endowment-funded research, *The Connecting the Dots Initiative – A Comprehensive Approach to Increase Health Profession Workforce Diversity in California*, are now available on line.

Finally, with the support of PPHTC and other sponsors, we enhanced training for public health professionals with a particular focus on multicultural health and the barriers that exist in creating culturally competent health organizations. We held a conference in April in which over 200 participants learned new ways of thinking (and practicing) about diversity, cultural competence, and what it means to address the “isms”, i.e. racism, sexism, ageism, homophobia, etc., in the public health arena. The conference was transformative for many of the participants and we hope to continue our work in this overlooked area of public health.



Jeff Oxendine, MPH, MBA
Associate Dean, Public Health Practice

2008 Summer Internships

Summer Internships are on track. Both students and employers are energized and looking forward to meaningful and productive internships. ■



RIGHT:
International
Internship Launch,
May 11, 2008

MPH Student REMINDERS

International Interns: Check in with your Field Supervisors (FS) when you arrive at your destination and email updates on a weekly basis.

June 16–June 30 Group Meetings for Bay Area Interns

June 25–July 31 Schedule Site Visits/Midpoint Updates
Please note that it is the student's responsibility to schedule and facilitate this meeting.

August 1 Begin meeting with Ruthann Haffke, Career Services Manager, and FS to start to develop a career plan

August 29 Complete Internship Evaluations

September 25 Preceptor Recognition Event • *Invite Preceptor*

The Connecting the Dots Initiative

The following reports from the two-year California Endowment-funded research project are available at <http://www.calendow.org/Article.aspx?id=2290>.

- *Diversity in California's Health Professions: Current Status & Emerging Trends*
- *Profiles in Leadership: A Review of Exemplary Practices to Increase Health Professions Workforce Diversity in California*
- *If it's a Pipeline, Why isn't There More Diversity on the Other End?*
- *Framing the Agenda for Health Professions Workforce Diversity*
- *Increasing Diversity of the Health Professions: K-12 Networks of Support*
- *The Benefits of Diversity in Schools of Public Health & Medical Schools*
- *Comprehensive literature review and annotated bibliography of all relevant research*

We are currently presenting CTD findings and recommendations to a variety of audiences, and providing technical assistance to regional and statewide groups that share our commitment to increase diversity in the health professions. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

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Max Factor Fellowship

The UC Berkeley School of Public Health and Center for Public Health Practice are very grateful for the support of the **Factor Family Foundation**. Over the last several years, the Foundation has made it possible for graduate students to gain substantial public health practice skills and career opportunities via internships in the Los Angeles County area. This year, four students from various Public Health disciplines were awarded Factor Fellowships:

Melisa Price is a first-year student in the Maternal & Child Health Program. She will be working in the Maternal Child and Adolescent Health Program of Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, assigned to the Research, Planning and Evaluation unit. The purpose of the internship is to gain exposure and experience in research and evaluation related issues. Melisa is a native of Los Angeles and plans on returning to serve in her community after she completes her MPH degree.

Nicole Schneider is a first-year student in the Public Health Nutrition program. She has secured an internship with The UCLA/RAND Center for Adolescent Health Promotion. Nicole's two internship projects will target low-income Los Angeles communities. Nicole plans to return to the area to work after she completes her MPH degree.

Kriselle Santos is a first-year Health Policy and Management student. Kriselle has secured an internship with Northeast Valley Healthcare Corporation, an organization that operates several community health centers for low-income Los Angeles area residents. Kriselle is from an area of Los Angeles that is near the Northeast Valley Clinics. She is considering returning to the area for work after graduation.

Anisha Chandra is a joint UC Berkeley-UCSF Medical School student. She will be working with Kingsley Manor, a not-for-profit, 210-bed Multi-Level Care Community that is licensed by the State of California as a Residential Care Facility for the Elderly (RCFE). Its mission is to provide affordable, high quality, independent living, assisted living, and skilled nursing care to its elder residents. ■

The SPH Jobsite is Getting a Makeover!

It is with great pleasure that we announce the launch of our new and improved online jobsite (cphp-berkeley.org) coming in late June. The new jobsite will retain the same functionality and URL <cphp-berkeley.org>. In addition, your account information will remain the same.

We hope you will find the new interface easy to use! If you have any questions, please contact Ruthann Haffke at 510.642-0431 or email haffke@berkeley.edu. ■

Eustace-Kwan Fellowship

The **Eustace-Kwan Family Foundation** has established a fund to support UC Berkeley MPH students who desire to work in community-based organizations or projects. The fund recognizes that many community-based organizations do not have sufficient financial resources to compensate a graduate MPH student during the 12-week, full-time internship. Therefore, limited matching financial support is made available on a competitive basis to those students who have secured community-based internships

The program is open to first year MPH students in the UC Berkeley School of Public Health. Summer internships must be in the San Francisco five-county Bay Area (Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo) and should focus on community-based public health practice.

Congratulations to the 2008 Eustace-Kwan Fellows!

Paul Adamson, MPH Candidate 2009 (Epidemiology & Biostatistics) - will work at the Public Health Research Institute

Julia Caplan, MPH Candidate 2009 (Health Policy & Management) - will work at the Alameda County Public Health Department.

Teresa Chin, MPH Candidate 2009 (Maternal & Child Health) - will work at the California School Health Centers Association

Sarah Gluckstern, MPH Candidate 2009 (Health & Social Behavior) - will work at the San Francisco AIDS Foundation

Mariah Hamilton, MPH Candidate 2009 (Infectious Diseases) - will work at Alta Bates Hospital, Community-based Infection Control

José Armando Hernandez, MPH Candidate 2009 (Health & Social Behavior), will work with The Quito Project.

Kate Kelsey, MPH Candidate 2009 (Epidemiology & Biostatistics) - will work with the City of Berkeley Public Health Division

Mara Larsen-Fleming, Public Health/MPP 2009 will work with the Adolescent Health Collaborative

Hannah Leslie, MPH Candidate 2009 (Health & Social Behavior) - will work at the UCSF Global Health Sciences

Emily Reilly, MPH Candidate 2009 (Maternal & Child Health) - will work at La Clinica de la Raza

Genessa Triestch, MPH Candidate 2009 (Health & Social Behavior) - will work with Contra Costa County Health Services

Carter Wystrach, MPH Candidate 2009 (Infectious Diseases) - will work at Alta Bates Hospital, Community-Based Infection Control ■

STUDENT Feature: Kaiser Permanente Postgraduate Fellowship in Health Care Administration

Catherine Erickson, MPH 2008

Kaiser Permanente Administrative Fellow 2006 – 2008 Northern California Region, Kaiser Permanente Oakland Medical Center

When I graduated from the School of Public Health, my mind was wide open to many professional interests in the field of health care. My decision to participate in the Kaiser Permanente Postgraduate Fellowship in Health Care Administration was made in large part because of the variety of experiences it would grant me. The one-year program is designed to enable new graduates to rotate among facilities and work closely with senior leaders. It is a unique window into an interesting and complex organization.

During my time in the program, I have worked in both hospital and medical group operations, as well as at the organization's regional headquarters. This has enabled me to experiment, test myself, and examine my interests and strengths. Through the fellowship, I discovered that I am energized by working in health care operations, which is not the direction I originally expected my career to take. My advice to future graduates and Fellows is to be open to where experiences may lead you. ■



Michelle R. Boontanom, MPP and MPH Candidate 2008, Health Policy & Management
Kaiser Permanente Administrative Fellow 2008-2010, Southern California Region

I was selected to be an Administrative Fellow for the Southern California Region. Southern California offers a 24-month fellowship that includes three rotations: two at a medical center and/or service area, and one at the regional offices. During the regional rotation, I will have the opportunity to gain exposure to the various departments that support the operations of the Kaiser Foundation Hospitals/Health Plan and Permanente Medical Group. During the medical center and service area rotations, I will interact with the Permanente Medical Group and Kaiser Foundation Hospital/Health Plan leaders, managers, and staff. In most cases, I will be accountable to Medical Group

Administrators or Kaiser Foundation Hospital/Health Plan Administrators. My fellowship officially begins in August 2008 and my first rotation will be with the Medical Group Administrator at the Panorama City - Kaiser Permanente Medical Center.

My decision to pursue a fellowship experience stems from wanting to gain more experience in health care administration and operations management. I felt that pursuing the Kaiser Permanente Postgraduate Fellowship Program in Health Care Administration would be the most effective way to achieve my goals. Working in Kaiser Permanente's integrated health care system will be a unique opportunity and the rotations will give me exposure to the multiple facets of health care. I would like to gain a diverse and better perspective of an integrated health care system as well as learn about the challenges. During the fellowship, I hope to work collaboratively with other fellows, enhance my professional management skills, and learn how to be a successful health care administrator from mentors at Kaiser Permanente. With the skills I hone through the Kaiser Permanente Administrative Fellowship, I hope to be a health administrator who implements positive changes in health care delivery and increases health care services to the underserved. ■



Mary Grace Gardner, MPH Candidate 2008, Maternal and Child Health
Kaiser Permanente Administrative Fellow, 2008 – 2009 Northern California Region

I found out about the Kaiser Permanente (KP) Postgraduate Administrative Fellowship through Ruthann Haffke's weekly Career Services update. The fellowship seemed like a great opportunity to combine the skills I learned here at the School of Public Health with the analytical skills I gained through my undergraduate degree in Math. During the fall semester, I went through two rounds of interviews with current Kaiser Permanente administrative fellows and executive consultants. During the interview process, I was able to draw upon my experiences from SPH classes, such as program planning, needs assessment, and international health economics.

The Northern California program is a 12-month fellowship, consisting of two six-month rotations at the Medical Center and Service Area. At the end of the two rotations, there is an option for a corporate rotation in the KP Regional Offices. My first rotation will be at the San Francisco Medical Center where my preceptor will be an Assistant Medical Group Administrator.

My overarching goal is to help health organizations reduce healthcare inefficiencies and increase quality of patient care while expanding services to serve vulnerable populations. This particular fellowship appealed to me because Kaiser Permanente strives to expand health services in a cost-effective manner while addressing the specific needs of a diverse population. Through this Fellowship, I hope to gain greater insight into key organizational issues, as well as exposure to a broad range of topics and growth opportunities. ■

A Successful “-isms” CONFERENCE

Building Inclusive and Multi-Culturally Competent Health Organizations: A Healing Approach to Addressing the Isms



The CPHP and the “isms” planning team organized the second “isms” conference with approximately 200 people, representing a wide range of organizations from public health, health care, and mental health disciplines. Many participants said this was the best conference they ever attended, and came away profoundly moved and filled with new ways of thinking about diversity, cultural competence, and what it means to address the “isms” in their organizations and in their lives.

The first day of the conference opened with the showing of a very powerful short film, *A girl like me*, a discussion with **Roberto Almanzan**, and a choice of roundtable discussions led by conference participants who were sharing their promising practices on building multicultural competence. There were two keynote talks by **Dr. Kenneth Hardy** (above, left), Professor of Family Therapy at Drexel University, and an internationally known consultant and trainer on issues of family, culture, and race. The talks were titled: *Understanding the Wounds of Bias and Oppression: Building Trust and Compassion at Work* and *Moving Your Organization Towards Multicultural Competence - Addressing Reluctance, Discomfort and Disinterest*.

On the second day, participants were offered a selection of half-day workshops on *Managing the Multi-Cultural Workforce*; *Managing Hot Moments and Interrupting the “Isms” at Work*; *Like an Earthquake: Understanding and Mitigating the Effects of Unconscious Bias on Mental Health*; *Addressing Institutional Racism*; *How We Can Help Each Other Unlock “Business as Usual” - Race*

at Work; Honoring Biracial and Multiracial Experiences; Interrupting the Social Contract Around Racial Identity; and Building Our Cultural Awareness on Isms with High Stigma: Disability, Size and Gender Identity.

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Comments from participants:

- ◆ The conference was personally transformative... a new lens to look through - the difference between awareness and sensitivity, looking for the oppressed part of myself and others for greater understanding, the jailor and healer. We are all closer to becoming healers as a result of the experience.
- ◆ The conference was an opportunity for spiritual healing, and a chance to reposition myself in the workforce.
- ◆ It was a soulful experience. It was life-changing.
- ◆ The conference was like a banquet!
- ◆ My feelings were given words, a theoretical description. I was given tools to use in my organization. Dr. Hardy is an exceptional teacher and I appreciate his authenticity and genuine presence and spirit.
- ◆ Dr. Hardy is an astounding presenter and, more importantly, a person who truly understands the key issues associated with multiculturalism.
- ◆ Brilliant new insight and understanding of issue of “powerism” and racism but most importantly, an opportunity for emotional processing.



L-R: Armand Volkas’ Living Arts Playback Theatre Group, Roberto Almanzan; Workshop Facilitators Laurin Mayeno and Kimi Sakashita.

The Public Health Profession: Making a Difference in the 21st Century



LEFT: Keynote Speaker **Arnold Perkins**, Former Director of Alameda County Public Health Department. RIGHT: Participants

The **Pacific Public Health Training Center**, in collaboration with several schools of public health in California, organized three successful public health conferences that targeted underrepresented students in undergraduate and community college programs. The school partnerships included, **UC Berkeley, UCLA, Loma Linda, San Diego State University (SDSU)** and **UC Davis**. The conferences, *The Public Health Profession: Making a Difference in the 21st Century*, were held at UCLA, UC Berkeley, and Fresno. CPHP staff and the UC Berkeley-SPH Director of Diversity collaborated with all the schools to develop and organize the conferences, which were deemed a huge success.

Highlights of the conference included panels composed of current public health practitioners who shared their diverse career paths; information about the many pathways to public health; tips and strategies on how to get admitted to a top school of public health; and a panel of current public health students talking about their background. Participating students had plenty of opportunities to interact with the speakers and ask a range of questions.

There is some preliminary discussion of expanding the conferences to be offered again next year in other locations in California, such as the Inland Empire. ■



LEFT (L-R): UCB Student panelists **Joselin Escobar, Nickie Bazell, Fatima Rodriguez** and **Joseph Griffin** RIGHT (L-R): UCB Student Volunteers and Panelists **Michelle Boontanom, Arnab Murkherjea, Danielle Le** and **José Armando Hernandez**

RIGHT: **Dr. Mark Schenke**, UC Davis FAR RIGHT: Participants

Center for Multicultural Health

RIGHT: **Abby Rincón**, SPH Diversity Director, **Obiel Leyva**, CMH Associate Director, **Veronica Montoya**, Latino Coalition for Better Health, **Jessica Rothhaar**, A Healthy California, & **Tim Morrison**, Children Now!



During the academic year, the **Center for Multicultural Health (CMH)** and the **Office of the Director of Diversity** hosted a **Latino Health Speaker Series** to inform and educate students, faculty, staff, and practitioners on the issues facing California's 11 million Latino residents. Health leaders from diverse disciplines spoke about the changing demographics of the Latino community, root causes of violence and culturally fluent prevention models, pressing health issues and policy directions, binational health issues for immigrants, and health disparities. Speakers were representatives from organizations such as **Barrios Unidos, Latino Coalition for a Healthy California, California Pan Ethnic Health Network, Summer Institute on Migration and Health, Health Access California**, and **Children Now!** Each session included information sharing and lively discussions with an engaged audience. There will be additional presentations/programs on health issues facing communities of color in the upcoming academic year. If you are interested in attending future presentation/programs, please email your contact information to Obiel Leyva at obielle@berkeley.edu. ■



TOP LEFT (L-R): **Bernard Griego**, University Health Services; **Tanya Moore**, City of Berkeley; **Edgar Quiroz**, Kaiser Permanente

TOP RIGHT (L-R): **Abby Rincon**, UCB School of Public Health; **Rob Seidman**, SDSU; **Kim Shoaf**, UCLA; **Jesse Bliss**, Loma Linda University; **John Troidl**, UC Davis



From the **COMMUNITY:** Berkeley Youth Alternatives

Million Pound Challenge



“How do neighborhoods and schools impact your health and those around you?” This was the question posed by **Amani Nuru-Jeter, PhD, MPH**, Assistant Professor and Social Epidemiologist (above), to the children and youth of **Berkeley Youth Alternatives (BYA)**, who visited the School of Public Health during Spring Break. BYA is based in Berkeley yet provides education, economic, and health education services for children and youth ages 6-18 from Alameda County. The question provoked a lively discussion and interchange between the participants and Dr. Nuru-Jeter. Although the participants live with issues such as school and neighborhood violence, inadequate opportunities and facilities to engage in physical activity on a consistent basis in their neighborhoods, and limited access to healthy foods, this was the first time, for many of the participants, that they were introduced to how public health science, in particular, social epidemiology, approaches these issues. We know that the participants left inspired by Dr. Nuru-Jeter, who was given a BYA t-shirt as a small token of appreciation. CPHP thanks Dr. Nuru-Jeter for taking the time to educate, motivate, and encourage the children and youth of Berkeley Youth Alternatives! ■

A Successful “-isms” Conference (continued)

To read more about the conference activities, please visit: <http://socrates.berkeley.edu/~cphpweb/isms/index.html>. Audio files of Dr. Hardy’s three talks will be ready by mid-June. The conference planning team is working on ideas for its next events in the coming year. Check out our website for updates. ■



ABOVE LEFT: Conference Organizer **Ellie Schindelman** and UCB-SPH Assistant Dean **Kelvin Quan** ABOVE RIGHT: CPHP Staff **Guenet Sebsibe, Jeff Oxendine, Danielle Le, Diversity Director Abby Rincon** and **Obiel Leyva**.

With an overall mission to “improve the health status of Solano County African American residents to meet Healthy People 2010 Standards”, the **Solano County African American Disparities Elimination Project** has developed the **Solano County Million Pound Challenge (MPC)**, a healthy eating/active living program geared towards reducing rates of obesity, cancer, diabetes, and hypertension by supporting health education in the African American community and beyond. MPC’s “Kick-Off” will be on June 21, 2008, in conjunction with the 20th annual Vallejo Juneteenth Festival.

African American residents of Solano County suffer from health disparities at rates overwhelmingly disproportionate to their counterparts. One of the greatest disparities is the rate of overweight/obesity. To date, seven out of ten African American adults residing in Solano County are overweight or obese. Solano County ranks number 51 out of 58 in the state for overweight and obesity. The overall goal is for Solano County residents to release a combined one million pounds over three years. Additionally, residents will be supported in efforts to increase community health and awareness by attending workshops, participating in health education programs and increasing their physical activity levels. The MPC is forming collaborations with key partners, including faith-based organizations, local business owners, city officials, healthcare providers, health departments, grocery stores, health clubs, celebrity supporters, and many more.

CMH staff members play an active role on the MPC Planning Committee, as well as the advisory committee of the Solano County African American Disparities Elimination Project as part of our efforts to reduce health inequities and improve the health and well being of the diverse populations in the Bay Area. ■

(Comments from *Isms* participants continued)

What was one of the most valuable things you gained from attending today?

- ◆ Understanding of the experience of oppression and subjugation and relationship to my personal “selves”.
- ◆ Importance of examining one’s own biases and validating others’ views. Self-awareness and courage.
- ◆ Interaction with other attendees around California and a better understanding of diverse.
- ◆ How to help my organization more along the spectrum of cultural competency.
- ◆ The awareness of the need to continually work on my beliefs about who is oppressed in their lives and the daily struggles they encounter.
- ◆ Where to seek local support in an effort to move our organization toward multiculturalism.
- ◆ My heart was opened further and my mind was broadened.
- ◆ Learning techniques from Dr. Hardy about how to talk about oppression, privilege. Affirmation for the work I do. New interventions to try.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

JULY

- 1 - 30 Site Visits/Midpoint Updates
- 4 Office Closed for Academic and Administrative Holiday
- 14 *California Disease Control Info Session* • 10AM, 141K University Hall

AUGUST

- 11-15 Summer Preparatory Seminar: *Issues for Graduates Students of Color: Community Building and Skill-Building for Success* (see below)
- 21 Fall Semester Begins
- 25-26 Welcome Activities
- 27 Instruction Begins
- 29 Complete all Internship evaluations

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Office Closed for Academic and Administrative Holiday
- 25 *Preceptor and Student Recognition Reception* • 5:30PM – 7:30PM, Alumni House

Summer Preparatory Seminar: *Issues for Graduates Students of Color: Community Building and Skill-Building for Success*

Led by our Diversity Director Abby Rincón, this program is intended to prepare students for the transition to graduate level studies and to life at UC Berkeley. From August 11 - August 15, this week-long program focuses on probability and statistics, writing skills for graduate school, library training on citations, stress management, cultural diversity, accessing key campus resources, and leadership. The program helps to create and establish a healthy cohort for underrepresented students as a sustaining and supportive mechanism for them while in graduate studies at UC Berkeley. ■

A few more takes on our recent conferences ...



The Public Health Profession: Making a Difference in the 21st Century Conference
March 1, 2008

LEFT: Inimitable host **Kevin Williams** RIGHT: Student Volunteers **Michelle Boontanom** & **José Armando Hernandez** welcome **Rob Seidman**, Professor, San Diego State University



The Isms Conference
April 24-25, 2008

LEFT: **Guenet Sebsibe, Jeff Oxendine, Danielle Le, Cathy Torres Mercado & Obiel Leyva** at the reception desk
RIGHT: **Obiel Leyva & Danielle Le** preparing lunches



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ABOUT US

The Center for Public Health Practice's mission is to support students, faculty, alumni and practitioners to achieve excellence in practice as they promote individual and community health. The Center collaborates with academic, practice and community partners to make the link between teaching, research and the practice of public health and provides services appropriate to the needs of its key constituents. We live and promote a commitment to diversity, human rights and social justice in all we do.

We fulfill our mission through the following services:

- Internships
- Career Services
- Professional Development Opportunities
- Center for Multicultural Health
- Community Research and Evaluation
- Leadership Development