PUBH 4330 - Promotional Strategies for Health Programs

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Prerequisites: A minimum grade of "C" in PUBH 2131 (Introduction to Community and Public Health).

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Catalog Description
This course explores the application of social marketing and communication theory to the development of strategies to enhance health education and promotion programs.

Required Textbook:


Folio readings: Additional readings are posted under each learning module.

BSPH Core Student Learning Outcomes
1. Students will demonstrate the ability to assess population needs, assets, and capacities that affect communities’ health.
2. Students will apply public health evidence-based strategies to the development of health programs.
3. Students will demonstrate the ability to apply cultural competence strategies in public health practice and communication.
4. Students will create strategies for promoting health improvement and disease prevention.

**CEPH BSPH Competencies**
1. Identify and assess public health problems to develop appropriate public health education programs based on sound theoretical foundations of health behavior.
2. Design, implement and evaluate public health educational programs for identified health problems for at-risk populations and communities.
3. Demonstrate argumentation, analysis, and synthesis skills writing through the development of comprehensive health promotion program plans and materials.
4. Communicate and advocate for health and health education.

**Public Health Communication**
The ability to communicate public health information, in both oral and written forms, through a variety of media and to diverse audiences.

**Information Literacy**
The ability to locate, use, evaluate and synthesize public health information.

**Performance-Based Objectives Linked to Course Activities (Note: Assessment Activities Described in Next Section)**

**Course Objectives**
The course is designed to introduce students to some of the basic principles and perspectives of public health education in the United States, particularly as they relate to developing fundamental skills in communicating health information to the public. As a result of taking this course, students will be able to:

- Distinguish among the concepts, language, and issues of publicity, public relations, social marketing, and health communication as they apply to health education and health behavior programs;
- Describe and apply the procedure for developing a public relations plan for a health-related program or agency;
- Describe and apply appropriate design principles for health-related print materials;
- Describe and apply the steps of developing health-related informational and publicity materials for the print media, including writing news copy and developing infographics, newsletters, flyers, posters, and press kits;
- Describe and apply the principles of publicity and health communication using electronic media such as radio, television, and computers;
- Describe and apply the procedure for presentations as a program implementation strategy; and
- Describe and apply the development of special relationships with media gatekeepers and vendors such as newspaper editors, television and radio producers, printers, and others.

**Assessment of Student Learning**
Learning outcomes will be assessed via the following:

- in-class activities
- lab assignments
- in-class quizzes
- press kit components
- final exam

1. **Quizzes (80 points maximum)**

   Five quizzes will be given throughout the semester in class. Students who are tardy or absent without a medical or university approved excuse will not be allowed to make up quizzes or exams. A student arriving more than 5 minutes after class has begun or after the first quiz/exam has been turned in (whichever comes first) will not be allowed to take the assessment.

2. **Final Exam (100 maximum points)**

   The final exam will be given during the University appointed time. Make-up exams will not be allowed.
   1. Comprehensive and written.
   2. Questions will be based on ALL material covered in lectures, handouts, films, lab assignments, and assigned readings. It is important that you know the course content very well.

3. **Educational Materials Portfolio (290 maximum points):**

   The Educational Materials Portfolio: Marketing components will be completed throughout the semester with varying due dates (see course schedule for more info). The project will be completed in groups (pairs) assigned the first week of classes. Each draft component will be graded separately and returned to the group for revisions. *Upon return of the item, each group is asked to make all corrections, reprint the component, and put a hardcopy along with the originally graded (earlier draft) in their “Marketing Plan/ Press Kit Materials Portfolio.”* Please see the Press Kit Project information sheet for detailed grading information and press kit requirements.

**Marketing Plan/ Press Kit Materials Components:**

- Fact Sheet (20 points)
- Infographic (20 points)
- Newsletter (20 points)
- Advertisement 1: Ad (20 points)
- Advertisement 2: Flyer (20 points)
- Website (20 points)
- Brochure (20 points)
- Blog Post (only lab assignment due prior to submission)
- Social Media (only lab assignment due prior to submission)
• News Release (20 points)
• Presentation Slides (10 points)
• Presentation (20 points)
• Final Portfolio (100 points)

4. Attendance (50 maximum points)

Attendance will be taken randomly throughout the semester. Each day is worth 5 points.

5. Class Activities and Assignments (25 maximum points)

Students will complete in-class assignments and activities as assigned. These activities will vary throughout the semester. Students must be present and on-time to receive credit. No make-up activities will be provided. Activities will include things such as reflections, critiques, in-class work (individual/group), in-class brief presentations, etc. Each activity will have specific instructions and criteria, so please read before completion.

6. Lab Assignments (55 maximum points)

Students will complete assignments for each lab. These activities will vary and all contribute to the development of their Marketing Plan and Press Kit Materials.

Instructional Methods

Class meetings will be a combination of lecture, class discussion, and active participation. Computer-generated presentations will be used in the lecture portion of this course. Prior to each lecture, the student is encouraged to complete the recommended readings and actively participate in class discussions. In this way, it is hoped that the learner will be better prepared to successfully accomplish the learning objective of each lecture experience.

Students may vary in their ability to achieve levels of competence in this course. Students can expect to achieve course competence only if they honor all course policies, attend classes regularly, complete all assigned work in good faith and on time, and meet all other course expectations of them as students.
# Fall 2021 Course Outline:

**Abbreviations:**
- CHE: Community Health Education Methods textbook
- SFP: Strategies for Publicity Handbook (Folio) [Module]

**Overview of Content to be Covered in the Semester**

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| Week One   | Wednesday | Introduction and Course Overview  
Partner Selections                                            | CHE: Chapter 4                    | *All Friday assignments due by 5pm.  
The term “draft” indicates a completed component and not the start of a component. |
| 8/11       |       |                                                                                             |                                    |                                                                          |
| Week Two   | Monday | What is Health Communication? [M1]                                                           | CHE: Chapter 5                     | 8/20: Organization name, logo, and topic due                              |
| 8/16-8/18  |       |                                                                                             |                                    |                                                                          |
|            | Wednesday | Overview of Social Marketing [M2]                                                            |                                    |                                                                          |
| Week Three | Monday | Lab #1: Organization Planning  
Print Materials Basics [M3]                                     | CHE: Chapter 1  
CHE: Chapter 5                |                                                                          |
| 8/23-8/25  |       |                                                                                             |                                    |                                                                          |
|            | Wednesday | Behavior Change Theories in Health Communication [M5]  
Creating and Promoting your Organization                          | SFP: Book #1 (Folio)               |                                                                          |
| Week Four  | Monday | Setting Goals and Objectives, Writing a Mission Statement [M4]                               | NIH Pink Book:  
Stage 3 (Folio)  
CHE: Chapter 7  
CHE: Chapter 10            | 9/3: Branding and Strategic Planning Worksheet due                  |
| 8/30-9/1   |       |                                                                                             |                                    |                                                                          |
|            | Wednesday | Lab #2: Branding and Strategic Planning                                                      |                                    |                                                                          |
| Week Five  | Monday | Labor day-no class                                                                            | CHE: Chapter 2                     |                                                                          |
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| Week seventeen | Monday | Work with partner to finalize presentation |
| 11/29-12/1     |        |                                               |
| Wednesday  |        | Presentations                                           |

|            |        | 12/3: Final Press Kit submission (in-class and online) |
|            |        | 12/3: Presentation slides due |
|            |        | 12/3: Reflections Due Due |

| Finals Week | Wednesday | Final Exam Wednesday 12/8/2021 |
| 12/7-12/11  |          | 3:00-5:00 pm |

**Portfolio Inclusion**
Samples of your work may be reproduced for search purposes and/or inclusion in the professor’s teaching portfolio. You have the right to review anything selected for use, and subsequently ask for its removal.

**Instructional Methods**
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Course Grading Scale

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Grades:

- 540-600pts. 90-100%  A
- 480-539pts. 80-89%  B
- 420-479pts. 70-79%  C
- 360-419 pts. 60-69%  D
- 0-359pts. 0-59%  F

Grading policies: In this course, students do not compete against each other for grades. Each student’s grade will be based on the number of points earned during the semester.

A grade of “I” (incomplete) will not be given unless very unusual circumstances are present, such as hospitalization of the student. University regulations do not permit the use of a grade of “I” to avoid a low or failing grade. The rules of the University Committee on Absence will govern any dispute.

One-Week Rule: Grades are always the ultimate responsibility of the student. After any grade has been posted to the Folio grade book, there is a one-week (7 days) time limit to make any grade appeals in person and via Folio to the professor. After the one-week period, the grade becomes permanent and indisputable.

General Expectations

1. For every one-credit hour, you should expect to work roughly two hours outside the classroom each week. For example, for a three-credit hour course, during a regular fifteen-week semester, you should expect approximately ninety hours of work outside of class.

2. Students are expected to keep up with the class, to read the required material, and to submit assignments and activities by due dates and times.

3. Students are expected to independently complete all activities, exercises, assignments, and assessments including exams.
4. Students are expected to produce quality work. Typos and grammar errors should be kept to a minimum. The format and readability of submissions will be taken into consideration when assigning a grade.

5. Remember to check when assignments are due. It is recommended that you stay ahead of schedule on the assignments, so if an emergency happens, your assignment will be completed and ready to submit within the designated time frame. It is your responsibility to keep track of the due dates for each assignment.

**Response Times**

During a normal work week (i.e., Monday 9:00 AM through Friday 5:00 PM) students can expect responses as follows:

- Email: within 48 hours
- Discussion posts: within 72 hours
- Assignment grades: within 72 hours of submission date.

Exceptions: I may not check FOLIO or GSU email over the weekends. If you send me an email after 5:00 PM on Friday, please do not expect a response until the following Monday.

All assignments will be graded promptly so that students may accurately calculate their grades at any point in time during the semester. There are times when extraordinary circumstances occur (e.g., serious illness, death in the family, etc.). In such circumstances, and/or if you need additional time to satisfactorily complete any course requirement, please consult with the instructor within a reasonable amount of time. Extensions are not guaranteed and will be granted solely at the discretion of the instructor.

**Course Expectations:**

**Texting and Use of Cell Phones (and Other Technologies)**

Please do not text in class or use your cell phone during class! Texting during class (or in a meeting) is disruptive and rude…at least to me. My preference is that you put cell phones away during class meetings so they are not a source of temptation. Offenders will be asked to leave.

**Class Attendance and Participation Policy**

Federal regulations require attendance be verified prior to distribution of financial aid allotments. Regular attendance is expected. Your attendance will be verified at the first regular class session.

It is the policy of the University to permit students, faculty, and staff to observe those holidays set aside by their chosen religious faith. The faculty should be sensitive to the observance of these holidays so that students who choose to observe these holidays are not seriously
disadvantaged. It is the responsibility of those who wish to be absent to make arrangements in advance with their instructors.

Students participating in authorized activities as an official representative of the University (i.e., athletic events, delegate to regional or national meetings or conferences, participation in university-sponsored performances, and JPHCOPH funded) will not receive academic penalties and, in consultation with the instructor of record, will be given reasonable opportunities to complete assignments and exams or given compensatory assignment(s) if needed. The student must provide written confirmation from a faculty or staff advisor to the course instructor(s) at least 10 days prior to the date for which the student will be absent from the class. The student is responsible for all material presented in class and for all announcements and assignments. When possible, students are expected to complete these assignments before their absences. In the event of a disagreement regarding this policy, an appeal may be made by either the student or the instructor of record to the corresponding college dean. *(University Undergraduate & Graduate Catalog)*

**Academic Misconduct**

As a student registered at this University, it is expected that you will adhere to only the strictest standards of conduct. It is recommended that you review the latest edition of the *Student Conduct Code* book, as well as the latest *Undergraduate & Graduate Catalog* to familiarize yourself with the University’s policies in this regard. Your continued enrollment in this course is an implied contract between you and the instructor on this issue; from this point forward, it is assumed that you will conduct yourself appropriately.

**Plagiarism:**

According to the Academic Dishonesty Policy of Georgia Southern University, Plagiarism includes (but is not limited to):
A. Directly quoting the words of others without using quotation marks or indented format to identify them.
B. Using published or unpublished sources of information without identifying them.
C. Paraphrasing material or ideas without identifying the source.
D. Unacknowledged use of materials prepared by another person or agency engaged in the selling of term papers or other academic material.

If you are accused of plagiarism by a JPHCOPH, the following policy, as per the Judicial Affairs website: ([http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/judicial/faculty.htm](http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/judicial/faculty.htm)) will be enforced:

**PROCEDURES FOR ADJUDICATING ACADEMIC DISHONESTY CASES**

**First Offense - In Violation Plea**
1. If the professor and the Dean of Students agree that the evidence is sufficient to warrant a charge of academic dishonesty, the professor should contact the Office of Judicial Affairs to determine if this is a first violation of academic dishonesty. The incident will be reported via the following website: [http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/judicial/faculty.htm](http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/judicial/faculty.htm)
2. If it is a first violation, the professor should talk with the student about the violation. **If the student accepts responsibility in writing and the professor decides to adjudicate the case, the following procedures will be followed:**
   a. The student will be placed on disciplinary probation for a minimum of one semester by the Office of Judicial Affairs.
   b. The student will be subject to any academic sanctions imposed by the professor (from receiving a 0 on the assignment to receiving a failing grade in the class).
   c. A copy of all the material involved in the case (Academic Dishonesty Report Form and the Request for Instructor to Adjudicate Form) and a brief statement from the professor concerning the facts of the case and the course syllabus should be mailed to the Office of Judicial Affairs for inclusion in the student’s discipline record.

**First Offense - Not in Violation Plea (student does not admit the violation)**
If the professor and the Dean of Students agree that the evidence is sufficient to warrant a charge of academic dishonesty, the professor should contact the Office of Judicial Affairs to determine if this is the first or second violation of academic dishonesty. The student will be charged with academic dishonesty and the University Judicial Board or a University Hearing Officer would hear the case. If the student is found responsible, the following penalty will normally be imposed:
   a. The student will be placed on Disciplinary Probation for a minimum of one semester by the Office of Judicial Affairs.
   b. The student will be subject to any academic sanctions imposed by the professor.

**Second Violation of Academic Dishonesty**
If the professor and the Dean of Students agree that the evidence is sufficient to warrant a charge of academic dishonesty, and if it is determined this is the second violation, the student will be charged with academic dishonesty and the University Judicial Board or a University Hearing Officer would hear the case. **If the student is found responsible, the following penalty will normally be imposed:**
   a. Suspension for a minimum of one semester or expulsion.
   b. The student will be subject to any academic sanctions imposed by the professor.

**NOT RESPONSIBLE FINDING**
When a student is found not responsible of academic dishonesty, the work in question (assignment, paper, test, etc.) would be forwarded to the Department Chair. It is the responsibility of the Chair to ensure that the work is evaluated by a faculty member other than the individual who brought the charge and, if necessary, submit a final grade to the Registrar. For the protection of the faculty member and the student, the work in question should not be referred back to the faculty member who charged the student with academic dishonesty. In the case of a Department Chair bringing charges against a student, an administrator at the Dean’s level will ensure that the student’s work is evaluated in an appropriate manner.

**CONFIDENTIALITY**
In accordance with provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and the Georgia Open Records Act, any information related to a violation of academic dishonesty or the
outcome of a judicial hearing regarding academic dishonesty, is prohibited and must be treated as confidential by members of the faculty."

**Disability-related Accommodations**

Georgia Southern University is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to students with documented disabilities as required under federal law. Disabilities may include ADD or AD/HD, autism spectrum disorder, brain injury, chronic medical conditions, communication disorders, hearing loss, learning disabilities, mobility impairment, psychological disorders, visual impairment or temporary injuries. The purpose of disability accommodation is to provide equal access to the academic material and equal access to demonstrate mastery of the material. If you have a disability and need accommodations, please contact the Student Accessibility Resource Center (SARC). You will need to meet with a SARC staff member who can help you gather documentation of your disability or refer you to an appropriate resource for assessment. Once documentation of the disability is approved, SARC staff will provide you with an accommodation letter detailing the approved accommodations which you should present to me so we can discuss and implement your accommodations. Disability accommodations work best starting at the beginning of the semester, but can be approved and started at any point in the semester. Accommodations start at the time the accommodation letter is presented to faculty within reasonable timelines; accommodations are not given retroactively. SARC on the Statesboro campus is located on the second floor of Cone Hall and the phone number is (912) 478-1566. SARC for Savannah and Liberty campuses is located on the second floor of Memorial College Center and the phone number is (912) 344-2572.

**Basic Needs Statement**

Any student who faces challenges securing their food or housing and believes this may affect their performance in the course is urged to contact the Dean of Students Office for support. The Dean of Students Office web address is https://students.georgiasouthern.edu/dean. You may also reach the Dean of Students Office for the Statesboro campus at (912) 478-3326 or deanofstudents@georgiasouthern.edu. For the Armstrong and Liberty campuses, you can also reach the Dean of Students Office at (912) 344-2514 or rmdeanofstudents@georgiasouthern.edu. Furthermore, please notify the professor if you are comfortable in contacting the Dean of Students Office for support. This will enable the professor to provide any other resources that they may possess.

**University Calendar for the Semester**

The University Calendar is located with the semester schedule, and can be found at: http://em.georgiasouthern.edu/registrar/resources/calendars/

**One Final Note**

The contents of this syllabus are as complete and accurate as possible. The instructor reserves the right to make any changes necessary to the syllabus and course material to ensure better student learning. The instructor will announce any such changes in class. It is the responsibility of the student to know what changes have been made in order to successfully complete the requirements of the course.
This syllabus, my lecture notes, and all materials distributed and presented during this course are protected by copyright law. You are authorized to take notes in this class but that authorization extends to only making one set of notes for your personal use and no other use. You are not authorized to sell, license, commercially publish, distribute, transmit, display, or record notes from this class unless you have my written consent to do so.

**STUDENT CONDUCT CODE**
The Student Conduct Code is the official University publication governing student conduct and behavior. It is the responsibility of each student to become familiar with the rules and regulations governing student life. Student conduct procedures, appeal procedures, and disciplinary sanctions are found in the Student Conduct Code at [http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/conduct](http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/conduct).

I acknowledge that I have read and understand this statement referencing the Student Conduct Code.

**ACADEMIC DISHONESTY**
The University goal is to foster an intellectual atmosphere that produces educated, literate people. Because cheating and plagiarism are at odds with that goal, they shall not be tolerated in any form. Students are expected to adhere to the rules and regulations as set forth in the Student Conduct Code. Therefore, all work submitted by a student must represent that student's own ideas and effort; when the work does not, the student has engaged in academic dishonesty. Plagiarism occurs when a person passes another person's work as his or her own, borrows directly from another person's work without proper documentation, and resubmits his or her own work that has been previously submitted without explicit approval from the instructor. For example, academic dishonesty occurs whenever a student participates in any of the following: Cheating submitting material that is not yours as part of your course performance; using information or devices that are not allowed by the faculty; obtaining and/or using unauthorized materials; fabricating information, research, and/or results; violating procedures prescribed to protect the integrity of an assignment, test, or other evaluation; collaborating with others on assignments without the faculty's consent; cooperating with and/or helping another student to cheat; demonstrating any other forms of dishonest behavior. Plagiarism directly quoting the words of others without using quotation marks or indented format to identify them; using sources of information (published or unpublished) without identifying them; paraphrasing materials or ideas without identifying the source; self-plagiarism - resubmitting work previously submitted without explicit approval from the instructor; unacknowledged use of materials prepared by another person or agency engaged in the selling of term papers or other academic material.

NOTICE: The list above is intended only to provide general guidelines for recognizing and avoiding common types of academic dishonesty. It is in no way an exhaustive or comprehensive list of all the types of academic dishonesty. For more information about academic honesty, see the Student Conduct Code at [http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/conduct](http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/conduct). I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Academic Dishonesty Policy.

I have read the syllabus and understand the contents and course requirements.