

# School of Public Health - At A Glance



#### VISION

Stronger Communities, Healthy People—Our Tradition

# MISSION

Texas A&M School of Public Health is committed to transforming public health through interdisciplinary inquiry, innovative solutions, and development of leaders through the Aggie tradition of service to engage diverse communities worldwide.

#### VALUES

- **A**—Accountability: Meaningful impact
- **G**—Global and diverse: Our research crosses borders
- **G**—Generosity: Through selfless service
- I—Integrity: In everything we do
- **E**—Excellence: In teaching, research, service, and practice
- **S**—Social Justice
- P—Professionalism: Leaders paving the way
- **H**—Honor: Respect for all

#### RESEARCH

- New awards for Fiscal Year 21 (9/1/20 to 8/31/21) were \$12,020,102.
- Research expenditures total over \$100 million since the school's inception through funding from NIH, CDC, NSF, HRSA, ACL, private foundations, and others.
- Over 280 faculty research publications in 2020.
- SPH researchers led from March 2020-March 2021 COVID-19 modeling and public health response initiatives that span across all TAMU and TAMUS campuses in Texas
- Impact through public health interventions and/or research all 254 counties in Texas.
- Leading national researchers in occupational and environmental health, health policy and economics, healthy aging, community health and health disparities
- Collaboration on Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT) grants totaling over \$8 Million since school's inception.

- Home of Rural Healthy People 2010 and 2020 -the rural focused counterpart to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service's Healthy People 2010 and 2020.
- Strong University-industry commercialization ties with 32 patents by EOH faculty.

FOUNDED - 1998

**LEADERSHIP** – Dean Shawn G. Gibbs, PhD, MBA, CIH **FACULTY** – 63

# **DEPARTMENTS**

- Health Policy & Management
- Environmental & Occupational Health
- · Epidemiology & Biostatistics
- · Health Behavior

#### **ACADEMICS**

Enrollment Totals: 1,278 majors and 354 minors

- Bachelor of Science in Public Health–857 BSPH overall average GPA 3.5; one of the most diverse degree programs at Texas A&M with 41.4% White, 30.4% Hispanic, 6.6% Black, and 19.6% Asian, with 2% reporting as mixed or other race
- Master of Public Health-288
  - Biostatistics
  - Epidemiology
  - Environmental Health
  - Health Policy and Management
  - Health Behavior
  - Occupational Health and Safety
- Master of Health Administration–88
- Doctor of Public Health-53
  - Epidemiology
  - Environmental Health
  - Health Behavior
- Doctor of Philosophy-14
  - Health Services Research
- Public Health Minors-284
- Occupational Health & Safety Minors–70



# **RESEARCH CENTERS**

- The Ergonomics Center
- · Southwest Rural Health Research Center
- Center for Community Health Development
- · Center for Population Health and Aging
- USA Center for Rural Public Health Preparedness
- · Center for Health and Nature

#### **RESEARCH AWARDS**

- \$5.363 million: Texas Health and Human Services
   Commission to evaluate the 1115 Texas 1115 Health care Transformation and Quality Improvement Program Waiver
- \$4.9 million: U.S. Department of Agriculture-Multi-state Initiative to Reduce Childhood Obesity
- \$2.8 million: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)-Southwest Rural Health Research Center
- **\$2.689 million:** Centers for Disease Control & Prevention-Working on Wellness (WOW)
- \$2.68 million: National Institutes of Health-Physical Activity Impacts of a Planned Activity-Friendly Community: The What, Where, When and Why of Environmental Approaches to Obesity Prevention







35 US States



22 Countries

We provide many learning opportunities for students. These include applied practicum experience, education abroad, and community partner volunteer opportunities. Practicum experiences occur across the state, nation, and world.

- **\$2.591 million:** National Institutes of Health-Fighting Obesity by Reinventing Public Transportation
- **\$2.068 million:** National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Outstanding New Environmental Scientist (ONES) Award–Mechanisms of particulate matter driven infant respiratory disease (RO1)
- **\$1.786 million:** National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and the National Institutes of Health-National COVID-19 Vaccine Study (PreventCOVIDU)
- \$1.35 million: Cancer Prevention Research Institute of Texas-Continuation/Expansion of Texas A&M's Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention Program for Underserved Women through a Family Medicine Residency
- **\$1.035 million:** Improved AD/ADRD Assessment Sensitivities Using a Novel In-Situ Sensor Systems
- **\$1.019 million:** Patient-Center Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI)-Privacy Preserving Interactive Record Linkage via Information Suppression
- **\$1 million:** U.S. Department of Agriculture-Education building resources to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 among migrant and seasonal farm workers, food services providers and their communities

# STUDENT EXCELLENCE

- Master of Health Administration (MHA) program improved ranking to 28th from 33rd in U.S. News & World Report 2019.
- 98 percent job placement of Environmental and Occupational Health graduates with starting salaries averaging \$76,000.
- EpiAssist student volunteers provided in excess of 4,000 hours assisting Texas' state, regional and local health departments with outbreak investigations, disasters and emergencies, community health assessments and other projects.
- Our students are actively involved in two learning communities:
  - Broad Street Society Honors Learning Community
- Public Health First-Generation Scholars

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