

Academic Program Assessment Report

Assessment is a term commonly used to encompass the process of gathering and using evidence to guide improvements.

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Academic Program
Public Health, B.S.

Submission Due Date
2024-2025

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Program Goal

Goal

Goal 1

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Program Goal

To comply with Program Productivity standards as defined by the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education.

Pillar of Success Supported

High-Demand, Market-Driven Programs

Outcomes

Outcome 1

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Most goals have at least two outcomes measured.

What type of Outcome would you like to add?

Operational Outcome

Enter Outcome
Major Enrollment

Timeframe for this Outcome
2023-2024

Performance Target for "Met"
Using a five-year rolling average, the number of students enrolled in the major for a Baccalaureate program is greater than or equal to 12.5.

Performance Target for "Partially Met"
Not Applicable

Performance Target for "Not Met"
Using a five-year rolling average, the number of students enrolled in the major for a Baccalaureate program is less than 12.5.

Assessment Measure Used
Enrollment and graduation data extracted from Banner

Frequency of Assessment
Annually

Data Collected for this Timeframe (Results)
29.75

Score (Met=3, Partially Met=2, Not Met=1)
3

Comments/Narrative

The Public Health (PUBH) major exceeds the 5 year average of 12.5. Enrollment in the major demonstrates a steady trend of growth with enrollment growing from 30 students in Fall 2022 to 49 students in fall 2023.

The SON has hired an Assistant Professor solely dedicated to the PUBH major. Dr. Claire Marie Mensack is in her second year and holds a PhD in Public Health and a Master's degree in Rehabilitation Counseling from the University of South Carolina. She has over ten years of teaching experience ranging from technical college instruction to graduate level instruction in Public Health. She also has relevant work experience with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environment Control and the South Carolina Department of Social Services along with Not for Profit Agencies.

Resources Needed to Meet/Sustain Results
\$110,000

Explanation of How Resources Will Be Used

The PUBH program is currently being funded through a very limited budget originally designed only for the undergraduate nursing program. This nursing budget now supports a prelicensure program more than twice the size of the originally budgeted program, a MSN program and the public health program. The market-driven PUBH program has an opportunity for significant growth and contribution to the University mission with the right marketing and modification of the curriculum. As a new program, the program needs an operational budget of \$ 20,000 for programming and extensive marketing. The marketing mix for the recruitment may include advertising in different avenues such as social media, Lander sponsored open house, reaching out to high school students in career days around Lander University, increase community awareness, participate in various career fairs, and promotional activities, etc.

The resources noted above are needed to provide a budget for the PUBH program that will be used for

marketing, to hire a lecturer to support the current assistant professor, and to provide a coordinator/chair stipend to assist the Dean in growing and managing the program.

Outcome 2

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What type of Outcome would you like to add?

Operational Outcome

Enter Outcome

Completion (Degrees Awarded)

Timeframe for this Outcome

2023-2024

Performance Target for "Met"

Using a five-year rolling average, the number of degrees awarded for Baccalaureate programs is greater than or equal to 8

Performance Target for "Partially Met"

Not Applicable

Performance Target for "Not Met"

Using a five-year rolling average, the number of degrees awarded for Baccalaureate programs is less than 8.

Assessment Measure Used

Enrollment and Graduated data extracted from Banner

Frequency of Assessment

annually

Data Collected for this Timeframe (Results)

15.3

Score (Met=3, Partially Met=2, Not Met=1)

3

Comments/Narrative

The Public Health (PUBH) major meets the 5 year average of 8. Completion rates in the major reflect the steady trend of growth with enrollment.

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Goal Summary

Goal Summary/Comments

PUBH is a market-driven program supported by the need for preventive health and growth in the job market. The PUBH program has a significant opportunity to grow in the near future with the addition of several new courses to eventually meet CEPH accreditation needs and will include two additional minors: Rural population health along with a minor in gerontology.

The PUBH program also provides additional options for Lander students who are interested in the health sector. Students from nursing and PEES have shown their interest in the PUBH program. In the future, as future students become aware of this new program, we expect it to grow in terms of enrollment and graduation.

Changes Made/Proposed Related to Goal

The SON continues to evaluate and improve the PUBH curriculum. Fall of 2023 there was 49 Students enrolled in the major and approximately 22 will complete the program during the 2024-2025 academic year.

The SON continues to evaluate and improve the PUBH curriculum. Fall 2022 there were 42 students enrolled in the major and approximately 19 students will compete the program during the 2023-2024 academic year.

SON looks forward to appointing a chair/coordinator to oversee and promote the PUBH program.

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Goal 2

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Program Goal

Prepare Public Health practitioners to provide the knowledge, skills and abilities to promote, prevent and protect health through education, healthy behaviors and lifestyles, prevent diseases all by enhancing the knowledge, skills and abilities of individuals and communities to improve quality of life.

Pillar of Success Supported

Graduates Who Are Gainfully Employed or Admitted to Graduate School

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Operational Outcome

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Graduation Percentage

Timeframe for this Outcome

2023-2024

Performance Target for "Met"

Greater than 80% of students graduating from the PUBH program will have completed the program within 10 semesters.

Performance Target for "Partially Met"

Not Applicable

Performance Target for "Not Met"

Less than 80% of students graduating from the PUBH program will have completed the program within 10 semesters.

Assessment Measure Used

PUBH program academic year retention report

Frequency of Assessment

Annually

Data Collected for this Timeframe (Results)

Students graduated December 2023

Students graduated in May 2024

Score (Met=3, Partially Met=2, Not Met=1)

3

Comments/Narrative

100% of students completed the PUBH curriculum within 10 semesters.

Resources Needed to Meet/Sustain Results

\$110,000

Explanation of How Resources Will Be Used

The PUBH major is offered online and onground. A full-time faculty is needed in addition to Dr. Mensack to ensure regular offerings of online and onground courses to ensure courses are offered to facilitate matriculation. Currently, those needs are being met by faculty shared from the nursing

program, business college, and adjunct faculties. Having a full-time faculty dedicated to the program will help to meet the need of students to graduate on time and assist the Dean with administration of the program.

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First-time Certified Health Educator Specialist (CHES) exam pass rate.

Timeframe for this Outcome

2023-2024

Performance Target for "Met"

Greater than 80% of the students who attempt the Certified Health Educator Specialist (CHES) certification exam will gain CHES certification within their first attempt.

Performance Target for "Partially Met"

N/A

Performance Target for "Not Met"

Less than 80% of the students who attempt the Certified Health Educator Specialist (CHES) certification exam will gain CHES certification within their first attempt.

Assessment Measure Used

National Commission for Health Education
Credentialing (NCHEC) reporting on CHES exam

Frequency of Assessment

Bi-annual

Data Collected for this Timeframe (Results)

Not applicable

Score (Met=3, Partially Met=2, Not Met=1)

1

Comments/Narrative

We are not aware of any 2023-2024 graduates taking the CHES exam.

Resources Needed to Meet/Sustain Results

Funds to support guide books, CHES practice tests may help to encourage students to take the CHES exam and also improve the CHES pass rate.

The SON of nursing is considering modifying an existing course or developing an new course to

prepare students for the CHES exam.

Explanation of How Resources Will Be Used

The guidebook and CHES practice test will be included in the PUBH 499 to help students to prepare for the exam. Funds may also be used for consultant fees.

Goal Summary

Goal Summary/Comments

The PUBH program continues to build a strong foundation to help students to graduate on time, start their career, as well as help interested ones to start graduate school. Fall of 2023 we offered the internship course with an enrollment and placement of 21 students in the fall of 2023 and 20 students in the Spring of 2024. To our knowledge 1 has applied to graduate school, 6 offered jobs by the intern agency and all accepted and 4 obtained a Public health jobs outside of internship placement. 3 have returned to Lander to complete Nursing degree requirements.

The PUBH program continues to build a strong foundation to help students to graduate on time, start their career, as well as help interested ones to start graduate school. Fall 2022 we offered the first internship course with an enrollment and placement of 5 students and 8 students in Spring 2023. To our knowledge three of the 13 students were offer positions by the intern agency and two of them accepted the positions.

We have hired a full-time assistant professor that holds the CHES certification and we are reviewing the curriculum to see how we can improve success on the CHES exam.

Changes Made/Proposed Related to Goal

The name of the HPW program was approved and changed in fall 2022. The Public Health name and refocused curriculum is expected to help graduates with career and graduate education placement. The SON will continue to evaluate recruitment, enrollment and retention efforts.

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Program Goal

Students will have a strong foundation for public health and basic understanding of the 8 public health competencies for public health professionals

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What type of Outcome would you like to add?

Student Learning Outcome

Enter Outcome

Assess and monitor population health.

Timeframe for this Outcome

Academic Year 2023-2024

Performance Target for "Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 80% or higher.

Performance Target for "Partially Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 79-71%.

Performance Target for "Not Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 70% or below.

Assessment Measure Used

Discussion Board #2 on Communicable Diseases students required to research & report population statistics that relate to communicable diseases.

Frequency of Assessment

Each semester

Data Collected for this Timeframe (Results)

F23 N= 20 changed assignment & class average 91%
S24 N= 25, 88%

Score (Met=3, Partially Met=2, Not Met=1)

3

Comments/Narrative

Discussion Board 2 Students demonstrate the understanding of descriptive epidemiology. Student learn to interpret data, tables and graphs. They learn about public surveillance and population health indicators and they learn the difference between case-control and cohort observational studies.

Resources Needed to Meet/Sustain Results

\$90,000

Explanation of How Resources Will Be Used

Additional full-time faculty is needed to ensure all courses are offered in online and traditional classroom setting. The funds will be used to provide salary and benefits for a faculty member with expertise in epidemiology, biostatistics, and public health. There are additional courses that are needed to strengthen the program such as a policy course and a communication course.

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Student Learning Outcome

Enter Outcome

Investigate, identify, and address health hazards and root causes.

Timeframe for this Outcome

Academic Year 2023-2024

Performance Target for "Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 80% or higher.

Performance Target for "Partially Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 79-71%.

Performance Target for "Not Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 70% or below.

Assessment Measure Used

The class average on the Community Health Project in PUBH 417, Community Health DB SMART Objectives #3

Frequency of Assessment

Each semester

Data Collected for this Timeframe (Results)

F23 N=18, 78.4%
S24 N=18, 84%

Score (Met=3, Partially Met=2, Not Met=1)

2

Comments/Narrative

PUBH 417- Community Health Project

- Students will need to examine evidence-informed resources related to identified health issues (eg. early education and health outcomes) and propose desired changes through presentations highlighting sample outreach, health interventions, or policy changes.
- Students must also develop persuasive messages and materials (e.g., briefs, resolutions, health education, and fact sheets) to communicate the policy, system, or environmental change that correlates to the identified health issues.
- This health promotion project can be demonstrated through use of media (e.g., social media, press releases, public service announcements, and op-eds), as well as traditional, social, and emerging technologies (eg. PowerPoint presentations, flyers, etc.) and methods to mobilize support for policy, system, or environmental change.
- Students should involve target audience, partners and stakeholders throughout the health education and promotion process in meaningful and sustainable ways.

- This project may be completed in groups of two (2) students, but individual contribution to the project must be highlighted and notable.

Resources Needed to Meet/Sustain Results

\$90,000

Explanation of How Resources Will Be Used

Full time faculty in Public Health hired beginning Fall of 2023. Dr. Claire M Mensack has developed additional online and traditional courses to strengthen the PUBH program and curriculum. These include: PUBH 240: Public Health Communication, PUBH 299: Health Behaviors, Theories and Application in Public Health, PUBH Leadership and Administration, PUBH 489: Public Health Internship Preparation. Additional faculty is needed to help in teaching this courses above. The Fall of 2024 Dr. Claire M Mensack is teaching 18 credit hours in the public health program.

Additional full-time faculty is needed to ensure all courses are offered in online and traditional classroom setting. The current faculty could also use support with internship placement and administration of the internship courses.

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What type of Outcome would you like to add?

Student Learning Outcome

Enter Outcome

Communicate effectively to inform and educate.

Timeframe for this Outcome

Academic Year 2023-2024

Performance Target for "Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 80% or higher.

Performance Target for "Partially Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 79-71%.

Performance Target for "Not Met"

The class average on selected assessment was below 70%.

Assessment Measure Used

The class average on Health Education Project in

Frequency of Assessment

Each semester.

PUBH 240, Health Education

Data Collected for this Timeframe (Results)

F23 N=22 Average 84% (online course)

S24 N=8 Average 99.75%

Score (Met=3, Partially Met=2, Not Met=1)

3

Comments/Narrative

Health Education Project

The purpose of this assignment is to incorporate what students have learned in PUBH 240 by creating a product that delivers health education to a chosen audience (see below).

The final product will be an engaging educational poster. The intended audience is either early adolescents (12-15 years), college students, middle-aged adult (41-64 years), or older adult (65 years and older).

Students determine the health topic they would like to present.

Develop at least 3 learning objectives for this project

- a. The objectives should follow proper format discussed in the textbook. These objectives should be communicated to the instructor in a separate file (not on your poster). Please turn in as a word document with your final poster.
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GRADING RUBRIC

GOALS/OBJECTIVES

20 points The learner goals and objectives are clearly stated. At least 3 appropriate objectives are identified. Objectives are in SMART format.

CONTENT

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INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN/CREATIVITY

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For 2023-2024 academic year assess alignment of online and traditional course.

Resources Needed to Meet/Sustain Results

NA

Explanation of How Resources Will Be Used

NA

Outcome 4

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What type of Outcome would you like to add?

Student Learning Outcome

Enter Outcome

Identify, support, and mobilize community partners.

Timeframe for this Outcome

Academic Year 2023-2024

Performance Target for "Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 80% or higher.

Performance Target for "Partially Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 79-71%.

Performance Target for "Not Met"

The class average on selected assessment was lower than 70%.

Assessment Measure Used

The class average on Community Class assignment "Blog" on 10 Essentials of public health entry in PUBH 490 or 491, Public Health Internship I or II

Frequency of Assessment

Each semester

Data Collected for this Timeframe (Results)

F23 N = 21, 86%
S24 N=20, 89.4%

Score (Met=3, Partially Met=2, Not Met=1)

3

Comments/Narrative

The National Academy of Medicine's Ten Essentials of Public Health Service. The course blog will allow each student to contribute information regarding how your respective intern agency meets the essentials

In this blog you will be able to upload videos, literature, or just share statements about how your agency meets these objectives.

You can visit the blog and share information as often as you like, but you must provide a minimum of one post addressing whether all ten Essentials are addresses or not addressed by your agency. If Essential is addressed you will need to provide an example (i.e, linking out to an event, posting a video, sharing literature, providing a detailed statement). (worth 100 points).

Resources Needed to Meet/Sustain Results

\$90,000

Explanation of How Resources Will Be Used

A third Course was developed to assist in the placement of students for their internship this is PUBH 489 Internship Preparation. This course is designed for the opportunity for students to be able to network for their potential internship site and supervisor through assignments where they need to conduct 3 informational interviews with 3 potential internship supervisors in agencies that serve in the public health spectrum. This course will assist students in their professional networking abilities as well as potentially secure their own placement for upcoming internships in PUBH 490/491.

The two internship courses in this program require administration oversight beyond what is needed in a traditional online or traditional course. Faculty assist students in acquiring internship placement. Internship agencies have varying requirements that must be met for on boarding student intern. With growth of the program additional community partners are needed along with a process for evaluating internships for online students. The current faculty needs support with internship placement and administration of the internship courses. In fall 2023 there are 21 students enrolled in the internship course.

Outcome 5

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What type of Outcome would you like to add?

Student Learning Outcome

Enter Outcome

Examine and summarize public health policies and programs.

Timeframe for this Outcome

Academic Year 2023-2024

Performance Target for "Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 80% or higher.

Performance Target for "Partially Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 79-71%.

Performance Target for "Not Met"

The class average on selected assessment was lower than 70%.

Assessment Measure Used

PUBH 417 Health Policy Analysis Research paper

Frequency of Assessment

NA

Data Collected for this Timeframe (Results)

F 23 N=18, 85%

Score (Met=3, Partially Met=2, Not Met=1)

3

S 24 N=18, 83%

Comments/Narrative

Students are to identify the literature and write a research paper that corresponds to organizational policies and procedures, as well as federal, state and local laws that pertain to community health outreach and advocacy efforts.

Resources Needed to Meet/Sustain Results

\$90,000

Explanation of How Resources Will Be Used

SON hire Dr. Claire M. Mensack in August 2023. She has developed a PUBH 240 health communication course that is being taught online for the Fall of 2024. In the spring of 2025 she will be teaching PUBH 299 which is a course on Health Behaviors and theories and applications in public health. Also in the fall of 2025 PUBH 489 Public Health Pre internship preparation course will be taught.

Additional full-time faculty is needed to develop and offer select courses commonly seen and recommend for public health programs. The SON is considering the addition of a policy course, a communication course and a internship preparation course for fall 2024.

Outcome 6

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Student Learning Outcome

Enter Outcome

Improve equitable access to resources through systematic evaluation, research and quality improvement.

Timeframe for this Outcome

Academic Year 2023-2024

Performance Target for "Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 80% or higher.

Performance Target for "Partially Met"

The class average on selected assessment was 79-71%.

Performance Target for "Not Met"

The class average on selected assessment was lower than 70%.

Assessment Measure Used

The class average on Class Discussion #3 (via Discussion Board) in PUBH 325, Social Determinants of Health

Frequency of Assessment

Each semester

Data Collected for this Timeframe (Results)

F23- Course not offered
S24 N=32, 85.6%

Score (Met=3, Partially Met=2, Not Met=1)

3

Comments/Narrative

Discussion Board #3 The Impact of Social Determinants of Health (SDoH)

As a final discussion for this course, students are asked to provide a reflection that demonstrates their understanding of the social determinants of health and its impact on the creating a culture of wellness. This is a comprehensive discussion post therefore responses should be well researched, written and presented. This is a multipart question, grades based on the quality and depth of the submission. Students are encouraged to review the learning objectives of this course, to ensure understanding of the concepts.

Part 1- Introduction

- Select a SDOH challenge (economic stability, education, social and community context, health and healthcare, neighborhood and built environment) issue that has an impact on disparities in the United States. See page 49 of text Figure 3-2 for examples of the types of issues. However you should select an challenge that you are passionate about that falls into one of the SDOH categories.
- Provided a brief introduction on the challenge (1-paragraph of 5-6 sentences)
- Describe the statistical data and/or trend analysis of the challenge
- Historical, cultural and/or ethical implications of the challenge

Part 2-Social Determinants of Health

- Identify the SDOHs that influence your health challenge
- Discuss interventions to reduce the challenge
- Provide at least two recommendations to sustain selected interventions
- Describe strategies to create a culture of wellness
- Discuss the short-term and long-term impact of a culture of wellness

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\$90,000

Explanation of How Resources Will Be Used

Additional full-time faculty is needed to develop and offer select courses commonly seen and recommend for public health programs. Spring of 2024 and adjunct faculty who also works for the SC DPH is now teaching the course on the Social Determinants of Health in the online version of this course..

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Student Learning Outcome

Enter Outcome

Provide health education to promote health, support wellness, and prevent injury and disease.

Timeframe for this Outcome

Academic Year 2023-2024

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Performance Target for "Partially Met"

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Performance Target for "Not Met"

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Assessment Measure Used

The class average on the Health Education Project in PUBH 240, Health Education

Frequency of Assessment

Each Semester

Data Collected for this Timeframe (Results)

F23 N=21, 80%
S24 N=8, 99.75%

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Explanation of How Resources Will Be Used

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The PUBH program continues to grow and change. Based on the data for the 2023-2024 academic year the program is effective and continues to meet most of the program and student learning objectives. The PUBH website has been updated to reflect the current and ongoing trends in the field of public health as well as the curriculum does reflect these changes. In addition the PUBH program brochure has also been updated to reflect the same as the website. Additional curriculum changes are needed to ensure that students placed in public health courses have the necessary knowledge skills and abilities to be successful in this academic discipline.

To date there is only one fulltime Assistant Professor teaching a combination of traditional classes, hybrid and fully online ones with additional teaching support through several adjunct instructors. Additional full-time faculty is needed to develop and offer select courses commonly seen and recommend for public health programs. The program is still being evaluated to determine the opportunities for growth in both the online, hybrid and traditional courses.

The PUBH program is relatively new and continues to grow and evolve. Based on the data presented for the 2023-2024 academic year the program is effective and continues to meet most of the program and student learning objectives. We are in the process of reviewing and updating the PUBH webpage, developing recruitment publications, align online and traditional courses, transition online courses to Blackboard Ultra LMS, and continue review and improve the curriculum. A few new courses are being considered along with modification of a few courses to prepare the program for future accreditation. Additional faculty is needed to support the sole assistant professor of the program. The Dean of the SON will seek permission to appoint a chair/coordinator of the PUBH program in an effort to improve progression, growth and public reputation for the program. The Dean will also seek permission to hire an additional full-time faculty for the program if enrollment continues on the current growth trend.

Changes Made/Proposed Related to Goal

As a result of feedback from Academic Affairs the SON Public Health Program (PUBH) 2023-2024 selected program and assessment currently reflects the changes in student outcomes that was advised. These evaluate program effectiveness based on selected class assignments and their relative outcome to reflect the effectiveness as well as program competencies.

During the 2021-2022 academic year the HPW program was in the process of transitioning to PUBH. The HPW program had different student learning outcomes and primarily used the final class average to

evaluate student learning outcomes. Upon feedback from Academic Affairs the SON was advised to discontinue use of final class average and this 2022-2023 program evaluation reflects the change in student learning outcomes for the PUBH program and select assessments to evaluate program effectiveness.

The SON will continue to improve alignment between online and traditional sections of courses taught in the PUBH program and looks forward to continued growth and success of the PUBH program.

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Approved by Dean?

Yes

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Comments from Dean's Review

Assessment information provided by Dr. Claire Mensack. Dr. Mensack is new to the SON and serves as the coordinator of the Public Health Program. There are plans to conduct a thorough review of the public health curriculum in spring 2025 with Dr. Mensack's guidance and experience in an effort to continue to improve student experience and attract students to the major.

Thank you for reviewing and approving this report. The approval and a copy of the report will be emailed to you and the Assessment Coordinator.