

# School of Public Health

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Hands-on courses. Cutting-edge research. Practiced-based experience.

... enhanced by our unique 35-year partnership with the New York State Department of Health.

We provide **defining experiences in public health** – experiences that enable you to examine issues, explore possibilities, and create the change needed for a better tomorrow.

#### THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

- Ranked as a best graduate school for public health by the *U.S. News & World Report* (2020)
- Tied for #9 among U.S. public institutions in the global Shanghai Rankings of Schools of Public Health (2020)
- Online MPH ranked by multiple sources for value, affordability and "best" program (2020)
  - Expertise in distance learning expanding even further during COVID-19 as more courses are remotely taught

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#### **RESEARCH & TRAINING CENTERS**

- Cancer Research Center
- Capital Region Medical Research Institute
- Cardiac Quality Improvement Initiative
- Center for Health Workforce Studies
- Center for Public Health Continuing Education
- Center for Global Health
- Coalition for Applied Modeling for Prevention
- Center for Collaborative HIV Research in Practice and Policy

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#### **RESEARCH EXPERTISE**

- Areas of research expertise include:
  - > Cancer epidemiology
  - $\succ$  Maternal and child health
  - > Childhood obesity
  - COVID-19 and emerging diseases
  - > Evidence-based healthcare
  - > HIV policy and prevention
  - Health disparities and health equity
  - > Implementation and Translational Science
- 450+ faculty publications in 2019 calendar year
- \$83.2 million in total extramural funding garnered by SPHaffiliated faculty in the 2019 fiscal year



### ASSISTING THE STATE

- Collaborative partnership between NYSDOH and UAlbany enables critical partnerships on work, including:
  - Students embedded within NYSDOH for internships and research projects
  - Faculty assistance drafting legislation for a regulated adult-use marijuana program
  - Faculty participation on boards and task forces for issues such as Hepatitis C and tobacco prevention
  - Faculty, staff, and students assisting with NYSDOH coronavirus response



#### **GROUNDBREAKING CORONAVIRUS RESEARCH**

- In partnership with NYSDOH, our School:
  - Lead observational study of hydroxychloroquine (cited by many as one of the first in the nation, published in JAMA)
  - Conducted what was at the time the largest serosurvey in U.S. (June 2020) (published in Annals of Epidemiology)
  - Examined emerging issues such as MIS-C (published in NEJM)
  - Produced the first comprehensive epidemiological report on emergence of COVID-19 by a State in peerreviewed journal (published in Clinical Infectious Diseases)



#### **RESEARCH COVERAGE**

- COVID-19 expertise from the School was featured on:
  - > National and international media stations
  - $\succ$  Radio shows in the U.S. and abroad
  - > Social media (viral research)
- Faculty, staff and students participated in community discussions, lectures and talks to help communities adjust to the pandemic



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### SAMPLE OF RECENT GRANTS

- \$1,000,000: The Coalition for Applied Modeling and Prevention (CAMP)
- \$1,000,000: With NYSDOH to study PFAS contamination
- \$870,000+ to evaluate food system in New York
- COVID-19 Research Grants:
  - > COVID-19 and the Black church
  - > Diagnostic tools
  - Implication for college students
  - > Regional food recovery and distribution

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#### DEFINING EXPERIENCES IN PUBLIC HEALTH.