SPPH Vancouver Summer Program Instructor Posting

The UBC Vancouver Summer Program (VSP) is a four-week academic program offered to international students to study at UBC. This program provides a great opportunity for the School of Population and Public Health (SPPH) to promote population and public health to undergraduate students from around the world. One block is offered by SPPH for VSP: July-August 2019, and it consists of two courses: Social Determinants of Health and Introduction to Population and Public Health.

SPPH is looking for a graduate student to teach the Social Determinants of Health course for the July-August 2019 block. The course description is as follows:

In this course you will broaden your understanding of how social factors, such as skin colour and income, affect population and public health. We will explore the meaning of health and its measurement, and examine what influences the health, well-being and quality of life of individuals, families, communities and nations. You will gain an understanding of the complex pathways through which social circumstances affect health and well-being, and hands-on experience thinking through real world problems. Lectures in class are followed by interactive group activities and trips outside of the classroom to explore health promotion services in Vancouver. This class will bring a new light to your understanding of the factors that affect health, and challenge you to think differently about what we can do as a society to decrease health inequities.

The instructor is responsible for the course content and its delivery. A draft syllabus has been created and the instructor is expected to adapt this syllabus to match their learning style while also liaising with the instructor for the other course to ensure course content flow together. The course will run from July 13 to August 13, 2019 every weekday from approximately 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (a total of 39 hours of class time, including a final exam/project). In addition, the instructor is expected to spend additional time preparing for the course, evaluating assignments, and handling end-of-course work. The instructor will carry out all duties and responsibilities under the direction of the Undergraduate Program Director.

Qualifications:

- Currently enrolled as a graduate student at SPPH.
- Possess in-depth knowledge about introductory concepts in population and public health.
- Experience leading classes and/or tutorials of 20 to 40 students, especially to students who have English as an additional language.
- Excellent written communication skills.
- Fluent in written and verbal English.
- Ability to prioritize work and meet deadlines.
- Ability to work independently while also collaborating with the other instructor.
- Prior experience with UBC Canvas is an asset.
Compensation: $6,000

Please note that this position is dependent on enrollment numbers. SPPH will run the course if we receive at least 20 students for the July-August 2019 block; if we receive less than 20 students, we will be cancelling the course.

The deadline for applications is March 18, 2019. If you are interested in this position, please contact Dr. Daniel Steel: daniel.steel@ubc.ca.

UBC hires on the basis of merit and is committed to employment equity. We encourage all qualified applicants to apply.