

The Latest



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Administrator Michael S. Regan
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

7th Annual Environmental Justice Symposium Urges the Time to Act on Climate Justice is Now

The 2021 UMD Environmental Justice and Health Disparities Symposium, convened by the Center for Community Engagement, Environmental Justice and Health, showcased the significant and transformative shift in the approach to environmental justice taken by federal leadership through the Biden Administration's aggressive, broad-based strategies. With a focus on taking action, applying science for social good and utilizing legal and policy tools to support community struggles for environmental health, sessions provided inspiration and information on critical resources to advance justice.



UMD to Lead \$15 Million Project Investigating the Role of Aerosols in Flu Transmission

SPH Professor Donald Milton and collaborators hope to put the debate over how viruses spread to bed with help from a \$15 million research award from the National Institutes of Health. Milton will lead a five-year randomized, controlled trial that will enable us to better respond to respiratory pandemics.



SPH Welcomes New Faculty and Staff Members

Welcome and congratulations to all of our new faculty and staff! Some are already part of our community and are being recognized for new roles/titles, while others are joining us this academic year.

STUDENT AND ALUMNI NEWS



AbryAnna Henderson '23 Receives First Whitlark Endowed Scholarship in Kinesiology

Junior Kinesiology student AbryAnna Henderson is the first recipient of the Whitlark Endowed Scholarship in Kinesiology. Established in 2020 by former SPH Dean Jane Clark and her partner Jill Whitall PhD '88, the scholarship supports transfer students from Maryland community colleges pursuing their kinesiology bachelor's degree.



Daniel Callow PhD '23 Awarded NIH-NIA Predoctoral Fellowship for Research on Alzheimer's Disease Prevention

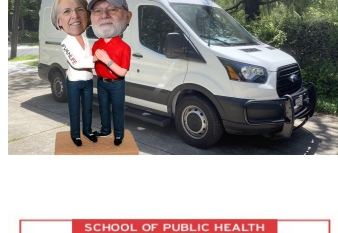
Callow, a doctoral candidate in the neuroscience and cognitive science (NACS) program, received the Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award Individual Fellowship. The predoctoral grant from the National Institutes of Health will allow Callow to complete the final two years of his doctorate with a stipend of roughly \$26,000 a year.



Global Public Health Scholars Volunteer at Baltimore's Second Chance

To kick off the academic year, 78 freshman Global Public Health Scholars participated in Service Day at Second Chance in Baltimore. The Service Day tradition gives incoming scholars a way to build community with their peers while being in service to the community.

PHILANTHROPY IN ACTION



A Parting Gift Touched with Gold

SPH's founding dean, Bob Gold, and wife Barbara gave a new gift to the University of Maryland upon Bob's retirement. Totalling \$100,000, the gift supports the School of Public Health Student Emergency Scholarship, the Department of Behavioral and Community Health, the Robert S. Gold and Barbara A. Gold Public Health Innovation Award and Women's Athletics.

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**GIVING
OPPORTUNITY**

One BIG Week to Support UMD Students in Need

Support UMD Students through a gift to the [Campus Pantry](#) or the [Student Crisis Fund](#) as part of the first ever campaign with all BIG10 schools!

FACULTY AND STAFF ACCOMPLISHMENTS



Sacoby Wilson to be Recognized by Maryland League of Conservation Voters for Outstanding Environmental Contributions

Dr. Wilson will receive the John V. Kabler Memorial Award at the Maryland League of Conservation Voters' annual event, *Changemakers: Celebrating Environmental Leaders*, on September 23, 2021.

SPH NEWSLETTER SURVEY



Let Us Know How We're Doing by Completing Our Newsletter Survey

Help us refine and improve the SPH monthly newsletter by answering a short survey (5-10 mins)! We will use your feedback to inform how we can make the SPH newsletter as relevant and engaging as possible.

SPH IN THE NEWS

The Plan to Stop Every Respiratory Virus at Once

The Atlantic | September 7, 2021
Don Milton is interviewed

The Memo: COVID Frustrations Rise Alongside Delta Surge, School Reopenings

The Hill | August 31, 2021
Neil Sehgal is interviewed

As Maryland Records COVID Vaccination Milestone, Elevated Infection Count Continues

The Baltimore Sun | August 29, 2021
Neil Sehgal is interviewed

Get Shots or Get Out, U.S. Employers Are Telling Workers

Bloomberg | August 25, 2021
Sandra Quinn is interviewed

Pfizer-BioNTech Coronavirus Vaccine Gets Full FDA Approval, Potentially Persuading the Hesitant to Get a Shot

The Washington Post | August 23, 2021
Sandra Quinn is interviewed

As COVID Lingers, How Can Health Communications Be Improved?

Governing | August 23, 2021
Cynthia Baur is interviewed

You've Been Vaccinated. Now Prove It

Pew Stateline | August 20, 2021
Neil Sehgal is interviewed

HAPPY AND WELL



The Well Terp

This week's tips include information on navigating change, building a support network and preparedness planning.

Find tips for healthy and happy living in our weekly feature, The Well Terp.

[Read The Well Terp](#)



Some Good News | Typhanye Dyer Prioritizes Student Happiness and Wellness

Dr. Typhanye Dyer, associate professor in the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, prioritizes the happiness and self-care of her students. Each morning, Dr. Dyer sends a "feel-good story," action for happiness and a self-care tip. Read more to learn why Dr. Dyer is incorporating daily wellness practices into her class and how they benefit her students and herself.

[Read Some Good News](#)

Our Happiness & Wellness Initiative shares "Some Good News" from the SPH and our extended community, inspired by SGN: *Some Good News with John Krasinski*. You can submit your own good news by email to: happyandwell@umd.edu.

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EVENTS

Graduate Admissions Information Session - Masters Degrees

Wednesday, September 15 | 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm EST

Webinar | Community Experiences with CommuniVax: Carrying Equity in COVID-19 Vaccination Forward in Local Areas

Wednesday, September 15 | 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm EST

Fall 2021 SPH Student Engagement Fair

Thursday, September 16 — Friday September 17 | 11:00 am - 2:00 pm EST

Graduate Admissions Information Session - Doctoral Programs

Friday, September 17 | 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm EST

Webinar | Energize Your Mind, Boost Your Spirit

Monday, September 20 | 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm EST

2021 UMD Virtual Grad Fair and Open House

Monday, September 20 — Sunday, September 26 | 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm EST

Webinar | CommuniVax Report Back

Tuesday, September 28 | 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm EST

2021 Health Literacy in Action Conference

Thursday, October 14 — Friday, October 15 | 10:45 am - 3:30 pm EST



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