

The Latest



Op/ed: How to Stop Superspreader Events Without Masks

Installing equipment to kill airborne respiratory viruses with UV light before they cause infections can make mask-free indoor gatherings safer, according to a new commentary in *The New York Times* by Dr. Don Milton and colleagues.



Growing Justice from Grassroots Science

Trash and toxic substances are often dumped where poor people and communities of color live. Sacoby Wilson is empowering them to fight for cleaner, safer conditions.



Forest Bathing' as Stress Reliever

Students and faculty pause in the woods for 'nature-informed therapy' organized by MPH in physical activity program.

STUDENT AND ALUMNI NEWS



Celebrating the Class of 2022

Robin Mockenhaupt, PhD '99 (Health Education) will give the address for the Spring 2022 School of Public Health commencement. The ceremony will be held on Thursday May 19 at 12:00 pm EST. The [University of Maryland commencement ceremony](#) will be held in at Maryland Stadium at 12:00 pm EST on May 20. The SPH ceremony also features remarks by Dean Lushniak and Brianna Hope Nabet '22. Congratulations to our 636 SPH graduates!



2022 SPH Convocation Recognizes Outstanding Students

On Wednesday, May 4, our faculty and staff honored over 180 outstanding students through a convocation ceremony.



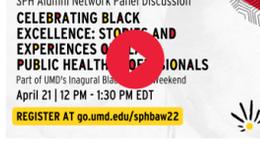
Welcome 2022 Delta Omega Gamma Zeta Inductees

On Friday May 6, the Gamma Zeta chapter of the Delta Omega Honorary Society in Public Health inducted 17 students, four faculty members, two alumni and one honorary member, Dr. Dianna Abney. The ceremony also recognized student research poster winners from each department of the school.



SPH Students Selected for Summer Research Fellowships with Maryland Department of Health

Three students in the BS-MPH program received funding from MPowering the State to embark on an exciting summer of research. Adele Carr and Anu Sangraula were selected to work on research projects with the Maryland Department of Health while Taliah Hodges will be working on the Community-Engaged Research Project with the PATIENTS program at the UMD School of Pharmacy.



Video | Celebrating Black Excellence: Stories and Experiences of Black Public Health Professionals

On Thursday, April 21, 2022, the SPH Alumni Network hosted a virtual panel discussion on Black public health alumni. The distinguished panelists represented a range of positions in public health and highlighted Black excellence within their professions and among UMD alumni.

PHILANTHROPY IN ACTION



\$500K Gift Supports the Karabelle Pizzigati Initiative in Advocacy for Children, Youth and Families

Donors Michael Sullivan and Nancy Moseley aim to continue their friend Karabelle Pizzigati's legacy and inspire a new generation of advocates.



Karabelle Pizzigati Initiative in Advocacy for Children, Youth and Families Endowment

Your gift to this fund will help provide equal funding to the School of Public Policy and the School of Public Health to support classroom and experiential learning opportunities for students, faculty teaching and research, and recognition for professional accomplishments by faculty and students in the area of advocacy for children, youth and families.

SPH IN THE NEWS

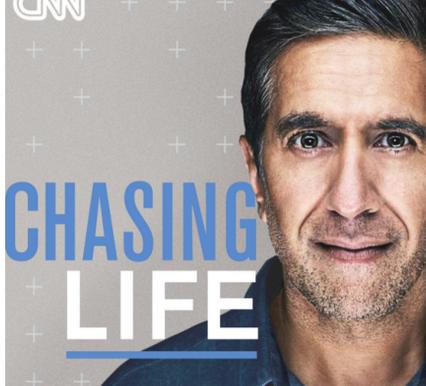
[Here's Why You Might Still Want To Wear Masks on Public Transport](#)
NPR | April 22, 2022

[Cleaner Earth: Healing Ozone Hole, Less Smog, More Eagles](#)
Associated Press | April 21, 2022

[A Fight Over Coronavirus Safety at Journalists' Gala Event](#)
The Washington Post | April 27, 2022

[Gymkana Troupe Brings High Flying Stunts to Xfinity Center](#)
The Diamondback | April 26, 2022

[New Jersey Could Be Opening New Front in War for Clean Water](#)
Grist | April 25, 2022



[Why Are Doctors Prescribing Nature?](#)
The Chasing Life Podcast | April 19, 2022

Includes an interview with [Jennifer Roberts](#) about some practical ways to integrate more green time into our lives.



[Sharing What You See Outside Could Help Research. Here's How To Do That in 3 Steps](#)

NPR Life Kit | April 25, 2022

Features an audio interview with [Sacoby Wilson](#) about community science.

EVENTS

[The Lancet Global Health Launch - A Look at Baltimore City's Indicators of Health and Sustainability](#)
Tuesday, May 10 | 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm EDT

[The Lancet Global Health Launch - Urban Design, Transport, and Health](#)
Thursday, May 12 | 1:00 pm EDT

[Spring 2022 Commencement](#)
Thursday, May 19 | 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm EDT

[PMBD Summer Welcome Day](#)
Friday, August 26 | 9:30 am - 4:30 pm EDT

HAPPY AND WELL



The Well Terp

This week's tips include information on staying hydrated, busting a move, and wearing your wellness.

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

[Read The Well Terp](#)



Some Good News | Health Issue Inspires Student to Live and Promote Wellness Practices

Emma Apostol '22 (BCH) faced an unexpected and challenging medical issue the summer after her sophomore year. Emma took the lessons she learned on this health journey to inspire her personal and professional growth. Read more about how Emma is applying the wellness practices she learned in her undergraduate program and her internship with the UMD SPH Happiness and Wellness Initiative to her personal wellbeing and career goals.

[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](#).

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