

Welcome to the Master of Science in Community Medicine

The Master of Science in Community Medicine (MSCM) program within Keck Graduate Institute (KGI)'s School of Medicine is pleased to welcome you to the KGI community this fall 2021. We are so glad that you have decided to embark on this new opportunity to change the landscape of healthcare. Graduates of this program will be community medicine practitioners and leaders who work in underserved and underrepresented communities for careers devoted to improving health, preventing illness and injury, and detecting treatable medical conditions early enough to avoid premature death and unnecessary poor health.

Vision

We have the tools—the science, the technologies, and the understanding of how to use them—to change what we've done before.

- We can improve health.
- We can prevent many illnesses before they threaten one's quality of life, let alone livelihood, and even life.
- We can help individuals who live with a chronic condition make the decisions to live healthier lives and avoid the severe downstream consequences of their illness.
- We can use today's technologies and science to provide guidance directly to families to help them stay healthy and decide whether or not they need to seek medical care from the formal medical care system.
- We can identify who is at risk of developing severe conditions because of their genetics or where and how they live.
- We know how to do these things! To realize their promise in practice, KGI plans to prepare physicians and other healthcare professionals with the perspectives, knowledge, and skills to help communities in need.

Important Information

As you begin your journey, here's some important information to review:

Planning for New Student Orientation

- The New Student Orientation is scheduled August 18-22
 - Wednesday, August 18: Meet & Greet with the Dean and PD
 - Thursday, August 20: KGI New Student Orientation
 - Friday, August 20: Saturday, August 21: MSCM Program Activities
 - Sunday, August 22: Closing Activities
- For out-of-area students, program personnel will help prepare travel arrangements

Preparing for Fall*

- Plan to embark on a different learning experience that will require active engagement with your classmates and program personnel
- Your classes are synchronized using Zoom and your course management will be maintained using Canvas.
- Attendance is mandatory, so please begin to plan your schedule accordingly.

**Please note that schedules and activities are subject to change. Students will be notified of changes immediately.*

Course Number	Title	Credits	Days	Begin Time	End Time
Fall Semester, August 30- December 17					
SOM 5001	F1: Community Medicine and Social Determinants of Health (Infectious Diseases)	3.0	MW	9:00 a.m.	10:20 a.m.
SOM 5103	F2: Health Systems Sciences (Process Improvement Opportunities)	3.0	MW	10:30 a.m.	11:50 a.m.
SOM 5201	T1: Introduction to Life Sciences (Biological Sciences)	3.0	TR	9:00 a.m.	10:20 a.m.
SOM 5301	T2: Community Health Interventions (Nutrition and Health)	3.0	TR	9:00 a.m.	10:20 a.m.
SOM 5401	F3: Strategies for Professional Success (Learning and Communication)	3.0	TR	10:30 a.m.	11:50 a.m.
SOM 5498	Capstone I: The Community-Based ("Service") Learning Experience	3.0	MW	1:00 p.m.	2:20 p.m.

Once again, welcome to the MSCM program and the KGI community! We encourage you to learn more about KGI and seek opportunities to participate in campus activities (virtual and in person). For more information on the MSCM program, please visit our website at kgi.edu/mscm. If you have any questions, please email mscm@kgi.edu.

Warm Regards,

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