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SPH in the News

[How future superstorms could overwhelm today's wastewater infrastructure](#) - *KUOW EarthFix*; features interview with **Scott Meschke** (DEOHS)

[FDA will allow 23andMe to sell genetic tests for disease risk to consumers](#) - *The New York Times*; quotes **Gail Jarvik** (Epi)

[Kidney disease a big contributor to heart-related deaths](#) - *U.S. News & World Report*; quotes **Bernadette Thomas** (GH)

[One Health approach essential to controlling public health threats](#) - *Infectious Disease News*; quotes **Peter Rabinowitz** (DEOHS, GH, Epi)

[Recently Awarded Grants & Contracts »](#)

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Who Knew??



Jeff Sconyers (HServ, MHA) was in a seminary for

three years before pursuing a law degree. While there, he wrote a book-length report about intertestamental literature, or "the stuff that didn't make it into the Bible," he says. Learn more about his career path in [April's Close Up](#).

On the Calendar

May 10, 3:30-5:30pm
[World Health Cinema presents "Hero with a Thousand Faces"](#)

May 12, 3-6pm
[2017 SPH Awards of](#)

Congrats!



Three SPH students have won [Bonderman Travel Fellowships](#). Senior **Rachel Rinehart** (PHM), MPH student **Sara Marquis** (HServ) and PhD student **Natalie Gasca** (Biostat) are among 18 UW students who will travel to at least two regions and six countries of the world. They're barred from taking courses, writing papers or doing any kind of formal study under the unusual fellowships, which offer up to \$23,000 each and last at least eight months.



Bolivia, Indonesia, Rwanda, Samoa and Turkey are just a few of the countries on their lists.



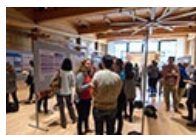
Peter Myler (Pathobiology) won the [BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Award](#), in the Development Cooperation category. The award recognizes Myler's decades of work on genome sequencing of the parasites causing leishmaniasis and Chagas disease.



PhD students **Jessica Long** and **Kennedy Maring Muni** (both Epi) were named [2017-18 Fogarty Fellows](#). Long is investigating the sexual networks of transgender women in Lima, Peru. Muni's research focuses on helmet use and road traffic injuries among young Ugandans working as motorcycle taxi drivers in Kampala.



Making a Difference



MPH students at SPH are getting outside of the classroom and into the field to gain practical experience in public health, while also creating change in the community. This year, more than 90

students worked with local organizations to address current public health issues – from homelessness and health insurance to workplace sexual harassment and safety. Called a practicum, the projects are a central part of the MPH student experience. "I think the practicum shows us what it looks like to have a career in public health," says **Sara Marquis** (HServ) "Also what it looks like to make change or design an intervention or to assess if we're doing the right thing." Students presented the outcomes of their work last month at the annual MPH Practicum Symposium. More than 120 students, faculty, staff and community partners stopped by to celebrate the significant work being done in King County and beyond. [Check out some great photos.](#)

Around the Water Cooler



Amy Hagopian and **Bud Nicola** (both HServ, COPHP) have [published a book](#) to help other schools of public health incorporate the problem-based learning model that COPHP has refined over 16 years. The best part: You can download it for free online.



This year's \$30,000 Global WACH - W.H. Coulter

[Excellence](#)

May 15, 7-8:15pm

[The Syrian Genocide: Dr. Saher Sahloul Reports from the Field](#)

May 18, 5-6:30pm

[Federalism and Nepal's Health System: Opportunities and Challenges with Dr. Bhagawan Koirala](#)

We'll keep you busy: take a look at the [SPH Events Calendar](#).

Undergrad Symposium

At the fourth annual [Undergraduate Symposium](#) on May 25, students from across the School's undergraduate majors and minors will demonstrate how they have applied the knowledge and skills gained in the classroom to address public health problems. Join us from 4-6 pm at South Campus Center Room 316.

Jobs

[SPH job listings page](#) for national and local public health jobs and opportunities.

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Foundation pilot grant was awarded to three UW researchers who are testing [a new therapeutic device](#) for children with cerebral palsy.



Arjun Kumar Karki, the ambassador of Nepal to the United States, recently visited SPH alongside **Biraj Karmacharya** (PhD '15 Epi), co-director of the UW's Nepal Studies Initiative. [See photos on Facebook.](#)



On Earth Day, April 22, students, faculty and staff marched alongside thousands of others in Seattle and elsewhere to show their support for science and research. **Jennifer Marroquin** and



Taylor Hernandez (both PHM), officers from the Student Public Health Association, were featured in [Crosscut](#) and [The Daily](#).



Lianne Sheppard (DEOHS, Biostat) has assumed managerial oversight of EHIT, the DEOHS IT department, as of March 1. **Jim Hogan** is retiring at the end of May.

Featured by the ASPPH

[Researchers say they're 10 years away from a malaria vaccine;](#)

Stefan Kappe (GH), **Jim Kublin** (GH)

[Crooked bite may indicate early life stress;](#)

Philippe Hujuel (Epi)

[Researcher uses mosquito simulation to forecast dengue risk in the United States;](#)

Cory Morin (GH)

[Cancer researcher tapped for Federal Advisory Committee on breast and cervical cancer;](#)

Peggy Hannon (HServ, HPRC)

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