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SPH in the News

[Norman Breslow dies at 74; biostatistician's work led to advances in medical research](#) - *Los Angeles Times*; quotes **Patrick Heagerty** (Biostat)

[Healthful school lunches mean healthier students](#) - *New York Times*; cites research by **Donna Johnson** (HServ)

[Here's how not to get sick when you're traveling](#) - *BuzzFeed*; quotes **Christopher Sanford** (GH)

[When should older drivers give up the car keys?](#) - *KUOW*; interviews grad student **Laura Fraade-Blanar** (HServ)

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Who Knew??



Sara Mar (Env. Health) connects her karate workouts

to her studies. "There's a karate principle: We say never disturb harmony," Sara says in this SPH video, [Lessening Risks to Dairy Farmers](#). "And I think that's really applicable to public health and environmental health in terms of living in harmony with the environment."

On the Calendar

Jan. 12, 5:30-7:30pm
['Slavery by Another Name' Screening - Common Book](#)

Jan. 14, 12:30-1:20pm
[Using Technology to Influence Healthy Eating](#)

Jan. 21, 12:30-1:20pm
[Strategies for Protecting](#)

Congrats!



Sara Mackenzie (OD) has won ASPPH's prestigious Riegelman Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Public Health Education, which bestows \$1,000 and recognition at the ASPPH annual meeting in March.



Annette Fitzpatrick (Epi, GH) is the new SPH Assistant Dean for Graduate Education, overseeing the Office of Student Affairs, guiding curriculum changes, and creating partnerships across UW and the community, among other initiatives.



Several Global Health faculty members won [New Investigator Awards](#) from the UW/Fred Hutch Center for AIDS Research Developmental Core:

Joseph Babigumira, Paul Drain, Alison Drake, Paul Edlefsen, David Horne, Sylvia LaCourse and **Nancy Puttkammer**.



Two students majoring in Public Health, **Eduardo Flores** and **Cassi Flint**, have each been awarded the new SPH Double Eagle II Endowed Scholarship. This need-based award (\$5,000) supports students in public health who are committed to ensuring healthier communities in our region and abroad.



An interdisciplinary team of students, including **Maria Artunduaga** (GH), was awarded \$1,200 to develop a prototype for "croXwise," a mobile integrated mapping application that leverages existing data to decrease injury and death from vehicular accidents at dangerous intersections.

Making a Difference



Undergrads in the School are now eligible for [Washington State Opportunity Scholarships](#) of up to \$7,500 a year, thanks to efforts by **Susan Inman** (PHM), **Trina Sterry** (DEOHS) and others. Students majoring in public health, environmental health, or health informatics were not previously eligible for the grants because they weren't considered STEM students. Inman, Sterry and others convinced the agency to change its criteria. Now, about 30 SPH undergrads receive funding through the program. "The idea is that we are preparing a group of underrepresented, low-income students to be able to move into health-related careers after they graduate," Inman said. *Pictured: Dean Howard Frumkin, scholarship winner Brian Cedeno, and Assistant Dean Sara Mackenzie.*

Around the Water Cooler



Ali Rowhani-Rahbar (Epi) [was featured](#) in the January issue of *Seattle Met* Magazine for his gun-violence research with **Fred Rivara** (Epi) and colleagues.

[Children from Climate Change](#)

Jan. 28, 12:30-1:20pm

["There are 80 Million Ways to Open a Restaurant in the City. This is One of Them"](#)

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

Husky 100

Know an outstanding junior, senior or graduate student? You can nominate that person for the Husky 100, a new honor recognizing students for their "discovery mindset" and other qualities. [Learn more](#) about the process. Nominations are due by Saturday, and applications close Feb. 2.

Opportunities

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

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Johns Hopkins Magazine [profiled](#) **Mary Anne Mercer** (HServ, GH) for her work in Nepal and more recently Timor-Leste, where she uses text messaging to improve maternal and child health.



Kate West (Public Health Genetics) was recently featured in *The Atlantic* and *The (UW) Daily* for her research on genetics and indigenous communities.



COPHP students made the front page of the *Othello Outlook* for their recent visit to rural Adams County to research health activities for teens. [See the Facebook post](#).



The Department of Biostatistics has a [newly revamped website](#), created by **Aaron Lamb** and colleagues.

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