Committee on Educational Policy
Peter Loomer, PhD, Chair

MINUTES
Wednesday, December 8, 2010

PRESENT: Peter Loomer (Chair), Abbey Alkon (Vice Chair), Tamara Alliston, Lucy Fisher, Thomas Kearney, Nancy Nkansah, Gail Persily, Doug Smucker

ABSENT: Harry Hollander, Judy Martin-Holland, Sophia Saeed, Vineeta Singh, Elisabeth Wilson

GUEST: Tina Brock, SOP EPC Chair; Karen Nelson, Education Programs Officer, GHS Program; Chris Stewart, Director, Pathways to Discovery in GHS and Director, Clinical Scholars Program; John Ziegler, Program Director (Master’s Program), GHS Program

The Committee on Educational Policy was called to order by Chair Loomer on December 8 at 3:40 p.m. in room S-30.

The minutes from November 17, 2010 were approved with edits.

Chair’s Report
Chair Loomer commented on Gould Commission recommendations which have been approved by the Regents and are now being explored in re implementation.

In particular as a precursor is defining what is a “UC-quality education”. Other ideas being floated are: more out of state students; part-time professional students (i.e., part-time MBA, among others.

Presentation on Global Health Sciences Program – Karen Nelson, Chris Stewart, and John Ziegler
Master’s of Science Program (http://www.globalhealthsciences.ucsf.edu/education/graduate/index.aspx)
Dr. John Ziegler, Program Director of the M.S. Global Health Sciences, provided a brief background and summary of the program.

In 2003, Haile Debas created this interdepartmental/interdisciplinary group. In 2006, discussions began on the development of an M.S.degree in Global Health Sciences. Fast-forward to 2009 when the first class arrived with eight students. The class of 2010 just graduated eighteen students and the class of 2011 matriculated thirty students. For the class of 2011-2012, over 200 prospective students have started the on-line application. The application deadline is February 15, 2011.

Separately, a “designated emphasis in Global Health Sciences” is being developed for those students already in a PhD program at UCSF. There is a pilot program in development—two SON students are matriculating in Winter 2011—to see how it might work.

The UCSF MS program is self-supporting with current fees at $33K annually. Competitors include Duke, Hopkins, and Harvard, all of whose tuition is much more. The aim of UCSF is to train students who can do research and be leaders in Global Health. There seems to be a cultural shift that is much like the Peace
Corps in the 1960’s. They’re discovering many students are choosing an M.S.in GHS rather than an M.P.H.

**UC Global Health Institute (UCGHI)**
Five years ago, GHS initiated the development of a School of Global Health. With the onset of the downturn in the economy and reduced funding for UC, it was decided to develop a UC-wide Institute instead of a School. There are currently three UC Centers of Expertise within the Institute: Women’s Health and Empowerment (UCLA and UCSF), Migration and Health (UCD and UCSD), and One Health - water, humans, animals, and the environment (UCD and UCR).

The UCGHI intends to offer a multidisciplinary, joint-campus, two-year, research-focused Master’s program. It is currently in the early development stage and is expected to be offered in the fall of 2012. The host campuses will be UCD, UCR, and UCSD. The program hopes to use distance learning and other on-line education technology.

**Pathways to Discovery in Global Health** ([http://www.medschool.ucsf.edu/pathways/global_health/](http://www.medschool.ucsf.edu/pathways/global_health/)).
Dr. Chris Stewart, Director of the Global Health Pathways program, provided a summary of the Pathways, Framework, Clinical Scholars, and Complex Humanitarian Emergency Programs.

The Pathways to Discovery in Global Health serves as a platform for global health training for UCSF SOM undergraduate students, and graduate and professional students, residents, and scholars in all of the schools. In addition to faculty mentoring on global health projects and two courses offered (Introduction to Global Health 101 and Advanced Course in Global Health 103), all of the programs below fall under the umbrella of the Global Health Pathway,

**Framework**
The UCSF-UCB Global Health Framework Program is funded by the NIH Fogarty International Center in 2008. The program is focused on training students early in their degree programs to work in multidisciplinary teams on global health problems and projects.

**Clinical Scholars Program** ([http://globalhealthsciences.ucsf.edu/education/ClinicalScholars/](http://globalhealthsciences.ucsf.edu/education/ClinicalScholars/))
This Program was established in 2006 to respond to a demand by clinical trainees for an educational track that would incorporate global health training in their clinical programs. Trainees participate in a one month didactic seminar and then complete a global health field project. The program attracts residents and scholars from most UCSF schools, who receive time off from their supervisors/advisors to participate in the program.

**Complex Humanitarian Emergency Exercise (CHE)**
The CHE Leadership and Training program is a weekend experiential training experience that simulates refugee camps in a civil unrest area, with actors playing various roles in the scenario. Participants take part in decision making and team building to build leadership skills in global health. The program is offered twice per year and has had about 70 participants thus far. It is open to all UCSF Pathways and M.S students, as well as UCB Framework students. The next training will be held in spring 2011.

Members asked if the school sent students to disaster zones. Chris Stewart said there were issues in sending people to locations on the State Department no-go list. Students did go to Haiti through University of Miami and other programs to assist with relief there.

**Presentation by SOP EPC - Tina Brock, Chair, SOP EPC**
Tina Brock discussed the Professional Curricula Committee (EPC) that oversees SOP and its PharmD degree. The accrediting body for SOP has been very restrictive in justifying how students’ hours are spent; UCSF SOP has largely ignored these restrictions while also being conscious of them. The school is hoping to move to a more purposeful interdisciplnary/interprofessional education format.
SOP is further examining how to differentiate the UCSF PharmD student from the numerous other PharmD students at private universities or new universities that are cropping up throughout the country.

**Updates from the Schools**
Members discussed whether they should appoint official contacts from CEP to speak with each school’s EPC.

**Update from the Library**
There is a new website being created to address all of the changes within the Library. In addition to TLC opening January 18, 2011, there are three departments being incorporated.

The Center of Excellence for Interdisciplinary/Interprofessional Education was approved; the $18K that the C.E. received for grants will be rolled into the Library’s grants for 2011 so they will have $45K to distribute. The following year, when the Center is more established, those monies will be distributed through them.

**Old Business**
None.

**New Business**
None.

Chair Loomer adjourned the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

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