DIVERSITY IN PUBLIC HEALTH: CONTEXT MATTERS

DIVERSITY & INCLUSION - LUNCH & LEARN

Featuring guest speaker: Craig H. Blakely, PhD, MPH (Dean of the School of Public Health and Information Sciences)

Those working in public health endeavor to improve conditions under which people can be healthy. We have doubled life expectancy in the past 150 years because of the vast strides public health has made in the developed world. We also know health status is linked to the zip code in which you live along with other factors, known as social determinants, including poverty, environmental influences, and unemployment. We see evidence of this in Louisville, where local data show that on average, residents in West Louisville have a shorter lifespan when compared to those who live neighborhoods to the east of downtown.

During his brief three-year tenure as dean, Dr. Blakely has brought about some transformative changes at the school. In this Lunch and Learn, Dr. Blakely will discuss the ways in which SPHIS has become more visibly and meaningfully engaged in West Louisville and Signature Partnership activities to address the determinants of health and improve health outcomes for residents. Dr. Blakely also will describe his commitment to diversity and inclusion, and how these values are essential to being a leader in public health and in higher education.

Free lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lunch-learn-dean-craig-blakely-tickets-20479545873 by Monday, March 7, 2016

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Kornhauser Library Auditorium

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