

# PubH 6751, Section 201 Principles of Management in Health System Organizations Spring 2019, 2 credits Grade Option: A-F

## **Course & Contact Information**

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# 1. CEPH COMPETENCIES & LEARNING OBJECTIVES

CEPH Competency	Course Learning Objectives	Assessment Strategy
5. Compare the organization, structure and function of health care, public health and regulatory systems across national and international settings	<ul> <li>Define management and organizations. Identify the main management and organizational behavior theoretical frameworks.</li> <li>Describe the diverse settings for public/population health work.</li> <li>Identify personal management strengths and weaknesses.</li> <li>Define organizational change and change management.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Homework assignment 1:         Management Strengths Assessment</li> <li>In-class learning plan activity</li> </ul>
8. Apply awareness of cultural values and practices to the design or implementation of public health policies or programs	<ul> <li>Contribute to organizational teams and teamwork.</li> <li>Create an agenda. Run a meeting.</li> <li>Define organizational change and change management.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Homework assignment 1:         Management Strengths Assessment</li> <li>In-class participation in answer to         questions throughout</li> <li>In-class Flint Water Leadership Crisis         Exercise</li> </ul>
10. Explain basic principles and tools of budget and resource management	<ul> <li>Define conventional, priority, zero-based, performance-based, and community-based budgeting.</li> <li>Identify revenue streams for public and not-for-profit organizations.</li> <li>Develop an operational budget for an organization.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Homework assignment 3: Local Health Department Strategic Plan and Budget</li> <li>In class participation in Humanitarian Response exercise, LHD planning exercise</li> <li>Observation of participation</li> </ul>
16. Apply principles of leadership, governance and management, which include creating a vision, empowering others, fostering collaboration and guiding decision making	<ul> <li>Identify the differences between operational and strategic planning.</li> <li>Develop vision, mission, and value statements for an organization.</li> <li>Create a strategic plan for an organization.</li> <li>Identify opportunities for performance evaluation at the individual, work unit, program, and organization level</li> <li>Create a plan for continued learning of management and leadership skills.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Homework assignment 3: Local Health Department Strategic Plan and Budget</li> <li>In class participation in LHD budgeting exercise</li> <li>In-class Flint Water Leadership Crisis Exercise</li> <li>In-class Peer Evaluation Tool Development Exercise</li> <li>In-class Learning Plan exercise</li> <li>Observation of participation</li> </ul>
17. Apply negotiation and mediation skills to address organizational or community challenges	<ul> <li>Define conflict management.</li> <li>Identify opportunities for engagement.</li> <li>Assess personal conflict management style.</li> <li>Use conflict constructively.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>In-class completion of Thomas Kilman Conflict Modes assessment</li> <li>In-class participation in Conflict Management exercise</li> <li>Homework Assignment 6: Negotiation Exercise</li> <li>Observation of participation</li> </ul>
18. Select communication strategies for different audiences and sectors	<ul> <li>Identify management/leadership opportunities to communicate</li> </ul>	In-class Flint Water Leadership Crisis     Exercise

	messages	In-class Humanitarian Response
		Exercise
		Observation of participation
19. Communicate audience- appropriate public health content, both in writing and through oral presentation	<ul> <li>Define leadership.</li> <li>Evaluate the qualities needed for leadership.</li> <li>Assess personal leadership strengths and weaknesses.</li> <li>Practice communications skills in speaking and writing.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>In-class presentation of Local Health Department Strategic Plan</li> <li>In-class Learning Plan activity</li> <li>Homework assignment 4: Fishbone Diagram Assessment of Ebola Outbreak or Opioid Crisis</li> <li>In-class Radar Plot Exercise</li> <li>In-class Fishbone Diagram Exercise</li> <li>Observation of participation</li> </ul>
21. Perform effectively on interprofessional teams	<ul> <li>Define project management.</li> <li>Define project management concepts and terms.</li> <li>Create a project management plan.</li> <li>Contribute to organizational teams and teamwork.</li> </ul>	Homework assignment 7: Project     Management Plan for MPH degree     In-Class Fishbone Diagram Exercise     In-Class Humanitarian Response     Exercise     Homework assignment 5: FEMA ICS     Module     In-class Emergency Management     Exercise, in-class discussion of     emergency management articles     Observation of participation
22. Apply systems thinking tools to a public health issue.	Apply systems thinking tools to public health issues.	<ul> <li>In-class Humanitarian Response Exercise</li> <li>Homework assignment 3: Local Health Department Strategic Plan and Budget</li> <li>Homework assignment 4: Fishbone Diagram Assessment of Ebola Outbreak or Opioid Crisis</li> </ul>

## 2. Course Description

Management consists of

- Defining a goal, and
- Organizing and directing resources in order to achieve that goal.

All of us manage all of the time: organizing a study group, heading a graduate school student organization, giving a party. As our personal and professional lives progress, the projects that we manage become more complex. This course will focus on developing practical management skills, including

- 1. Defining management strengths
- 2. Managing groups
- 3. Conflict management
- 4. Strategic planning

- 5. Budgeting based on organizational priorities
- 6. Performance assessment
- 7. Negotiation skills

- 8. Project management
- 9. Emergency management
- 10. Information management

11. Managing change

12. Quality improvement

13. Leadership

Skill will be assessed through a combination of in-class activities and homework; in addition, students will finish the course with a plan for polishing these skills and obtaining new ones.

## 3. Course Prerequisites

This is a core course of the MPH degree program; there are no course prerequisites. In addition to MPH students, the students from the following programs do not need instructor consent to enroll: public health certificate; MHA; dentistry MS; environmental health MS or PhD. Other students must obtain the instructor's consent. Please note that course content focuses on public and population health.

## 4. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION AND WORK EXPECTATIONS

The class will meet twice a week in the classroom for short lectures and in-class activities and presentations. Students will have required reading/media assignments and questions to answer before class and homework assignments (usually due on Sunday night to be submitted on Canvas). Lecture PowerPoints will be posted on Canvas.

## **Course Workload Expectations**

PubH 6751 is a 2 credit course. The University expects that for each credit, you will spend approximately 45 hours attending class, reading, studying, completing assignments, etc. Thus, this course requires approximately 90 hours of effort spread over the course of seven weeks in order to earn an average grade.

#### Chimeln

We will use Chimeln (the UMN student response system, aka "clickers") <a href="https://chimein.cla.umn.edu">https://chimein.cla.umn.edu</a>, in class. You don't have to buy a clicker; you can answer questions using the internet from your mobile computing device (laptop, smartphone, tablet computer). You can also text an answer from a cellphone, but you have to pre-register with Chimeln and give them your cell phone number; text message charges apply. We'll test Chimeln during the first class to see how it works.

## Writing well is the foundation for communicating well.

One of the fundamental opportunities of graduate school is learning to write well. The instructor will provide as much feedback as she can on student's writing, and students are urged to take advantage the University's many resources, starting with the Center for Writing <a href="http://writing.umn.edu/">http://writing.umn.edu/</a>, to improve their writing skills. A rubric for evaluating student's writing is included on page 19 of this syllabus.

## **Learning Community**

School of Public Health courses ask students to discuss frameworks, theory, policy, and more, often in the context of past and current events and policy debates. Many of our

courses also ask students to work in teams or discussion groups. We do not come to our courses with identical backgrounds and experiences and building on what we already know about collaborating, listening, and engaging is critical to successful professional, academic, and scientific engagement with topics.

In this course, students are expected to engage with each other in respectful and thoughtful ways.

In group work, this can mean:

- Setting expectations with your groups about communication and response time when groups are assigned, and contacting the TA or instructor if scheduling problems cannot be overcome.
- Setting clear deadlines and holding yourself and each other accountable.
- Determining the roles group members need to fulfill to successfully complete the project on time.
- Developing a rapport prior to beginning the project (what prior experience are you bringing to the project, what are your strengths as they apply to the project, what do you like to work on?)

In group discussion, this can mean:

- Respecting the identities and experiences of your classmates.
- Avoid broad statements and generalizations. Group discussions are another form of academic communication and responses to instructor questions in a group discussion are evaluated. Apply the same rigor to crafting discussion posts as you would for a paper.
- Consider your tone and language, especially when communicating in text format, as the lack of other cues can lead to misinterpretation.

Like other work in the course, all student-to-student communication is covered by the Student Conduct Code (<a href="https://z.umn.edu/studentconduct">https://z.umn.edu/studentconduct</a>).

#### 5. Course Text & Readings

There is no textbook. Readings/media resources will be hyperlinked or posted on the Canvas course website.

Some of the articles are **ANNOTATED**, meaning that I've written **questions** in the margins of the article and highlighted important points.

#### 6. Course Outline/Weekly Schedule

Week 1: Wednesday, March 13: Introduction to management

**Before class** 

Dees G. The meaning of "social entrepreneurship." Center for Social Innovation.
Stanford Graduate School of Business. ANNOTATED (which means that I've written
questions in the margins for discussion in class). This is an old article, but a good
one.
Bryant A. Google's quest to build a better boss. New York Times March 12, 2011.
SKIM THIS ARTICLE, THEN READ THE SUMMARY OF THEIR CONCLUSIONS:
"Eight Habits of Highly Effective Google Managers." [.pdf on Canvas site]
Check out the CDC's "Mobile Activities" page and select one mobile app from the
mobile apps section: https://www.cdc.gov/mobile/generalconsumerapps.html: Would
you use it? Would the general public use it?

## Optional

- o Wolfers J. A better government, one tweak at a time. New York Times, 9/25/2015.
- o Giridharadas A. Winners take all: The elite charade of changing the world. Knopf, 2018.

## Starter questions for class discussion

- What is management?
- Do Google's Eight Habits make sense to you?
- What is social entrepreneurship?
- What does it mean in public health to "control resources that we don't own?"
- What is crowd-sourcing and what role can it play in public health?
- Can you think of a <u>public health</u> mobile phone app that we could design in class?

## **ASSIGNMENT ON NEXT PAGE.**

#### **ASSIGNMENT 1. ASSESSING MANAGEMENT STRENGTHS**

- 1. Complete the Competing Values Self-Assessment of Management Strengths worksheet (self-totaling worksheet on Canvas site) you don't need to turn the worksheet in.
- 2. Write a brief essay (≤ **350 words**; **double-spaced**) on the results of the worksheet. What are your strengths? Weaknesses? Do you agree? Do you have an example which can illustrate either?

Writing quality counts. See the writing assessment rubric (page 20 of this syllabus) to understand the grading approach.

Title your document: YourLastName Assignment 1

Due date: Sunday, March 24, by 11:59pm CDT (use assignment upload on

Canvas site) NOTE: THIS IS THE LAST DAY OF SPRING BREAK.

This assignment is worth 10 points.

## Week 2.1: Monday, March 25: Managing groups 1

#### Before class

ш	Woolley A, et al. Why some teams are smarter than others. New York Times,
	1/16/2015. ANNOTATED version. [.pdf on the Canvas site]
	Freire K, Davis R, Umble K. Creating public health management teams that work. J
	Public Health Manage Practice. 2008;14:76-79 ANNOTATED version. [.pdf on Canvas
	site]
	<u>Duhigg C. What Google learned from its quest to build the perfect team. New York</u>
	<u>Times Magazine. February 25, 2016.</u>
	http://www.nytimes.com/2016/02/28/magazine/what-google-learned-from-its-quest-to-
	<u>build-the-perfect-team.html</u>
	Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs. Information Management. United
	Nations. <a href="https://www.unocha.org/our-work/information-management">https://www.unocha.org/our-work/information-management</a>
	Abridged Sphere Project Handbook [.pdf on Canvas site]

## **Optional**

- The Sphere Project Handbook: Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Humanitarian Response. (2018 ed.)
- How is your group project like the zombie apocalypse? <a href="http://teamwork.umn.edu/">http://teamwork.umn.edu/</a>

## Starter questions for class discussion

- How is a team different from a group?
- What did the researchers in the article by Woolley et al find about successful groups?

 What is information management? What role does it play in management? What role does it play in helping groups succeed?

## Week 2.2: Wednesday, March 27: Managing groups 2

#### **Before Class**

- Branswell H. MSF report cites WHO's failures in ongoing Ebola outbreak. Toronto Globe and Mail. May 22, 2015. ANNOTATED. [.pdf on Canvas site]
- ☐ If you have time, skim the **Sphere Project website**.

## Optional

Verity A, et al. <u>OCHA information management guidance sudden onset emergencies</u>.
 OCHA. Feb 2014.

## Starter questions for class discussion

- What can we learn from the failures of the Ebola response?
- What does your group need to do to be better organized?

#### **ASSIGNMENT 2. CLUSTER REPORT**

For this assignment, you will be working in your clusters.

**As a cluster**, write a brief essay (≤ 350 words) summarizing your organizational structure, your responsibilities, your challenges, and successes. Did cluster members' individual management strengths and weaknesses play a role? Did individual group members' non-management strengths (e.g., ability to think spatially, facility with numbers, etc) or prior humanitarian response experience help or hinder? Be specific.

- Include the names of all of the members of the cluster at the top of the page.
- All members of the cluster will get the same grade.

Writing quality counts. See the **writing assessment rubric** to understand the grading approach.

Label the document: Cluster A or B. For example, Water A, Management A, or Health B

Due: One cluster member should upload the document before 11:59pm CDT on Sunday, March 30 (use assignment upload on Canvas site). Everybody in the cluster will get the same grade. This assignment is worth 10 points.

## Week 3.1: Monday, April 1: Strategic management

#### Before class

The Community Toolbox. Chapter 8. Developing a strategic plan, Section 1. An
Overview of Strategic Planning or "VMOSA" Vision, Mission, Objectives, Strategies, and
Action Plans. [Read the "Main Section."]

□ Leider JP, et al. Budget- and priority-setting criteria at state health agencies in times of austerity: A mixed-methods study. AJPH. 2014;104:1092-1099. ANNOTATED.

## **Optional**

- If you're interested in the whole <u>Community Toolbox</u> there are 46 chapters on practical community organization building skills.
- Ghemawat P. <u>How business strategy tamed the "invisible hand</u>." Great article on the history of "strategic thinking" in business.

## Starter questions for class discussion

- What is public health's "market?"
- Who are public health's "competitors?"
- According to Leider, *et al*, what are public health officials' top 5 criteria for setting public health priorities?

## Week 3.2: Wednesday, April 3: Budgeting and public finance

#### Before class

Community Toolbox. Chapter 43: Managing finances. Section 1. Planning and writing
an annual budget.
Salinksy, E. "Finances." P. 17-19, in Governmental public health: an overview of state
and local health agencies. ANNOTATED. National Public Health Forum.

☐ CDC. <u>Public health economics and tools</u>. Look at the "Economics Tools" noted on the bottom of the page and choose one to report on in class.

□ How are we doing with the HP 2020 goals? Check on the category you selected on Monday and be ready to discuss in class: https://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/datasearch/midcourse-review/topic-areas. This chart doesn't include individual indicators unless they were Leading Health Indicators, the subset of the most important HP 2020 goals.

## **Optional**

Finkler SA, et al. <u>Financial management for public, health, and not-for-profit organizations</u>. 6<sup>th</sup> edition. Pearson; 2019; New Jersey

## Starter questions for class discussion

•	What are public health's sources of income? What does public health spend its money
	on?

• Why does public health spending vary so much from state to state?

HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT ON NEXT PAGE.

#### GROUP ASSIGNMENT 3A. COUNTY STRATEGIC PLAN AND BUDGET

Using your health department's data, strategic plan, and budget information sheet, create a budget for your health department. Use the budget template available on the class Canvas site. Budget constraints may require you to revise your strategic plan.

## Health Department Strategic Plan and Budget Rubric

- 1. Title page, with names of the group members
- 2. Final version of strategic plan
  - a. Vision statement
  - b. Mission statement
  - c. 3 priority health problems: why are they priorities?
  - d. 3 goals for the next year, and how you're going to reach them
- 3. Budget
  - a. Projected income
  - b. Projected expenses
- 4. Copy and paste your community's health data as an "addendum"

Use the community toolbox checklist <a href="http://ctb.ku.edu/en/table-of-contents/finances/managing-finances/annual-budget/checklist">http://ctb.ku.edu/en/table-of-contents/finances/managing-finances/annual-budget/checklist</a>

Label the document with the name of YourHealthDepartment'sName Strategic Plan, e.g., Able County Health Department Strategic Plan.

**Due: Sunday, April 7**, by 11:59pm CDT (use assignment upload on Canvas site)

## **GROUP ASSIGNMENT 3B: ORAL PRESENTATION**

Prepare formal oral presentation of strategic plan and budgets for Monday, April 8. Submit PowerPoint-formatted presentation on Sunday.

- Prepare up to 6 PowerPoint slides (please use PowerPoint—other formats tend to get jumbled)
- Presentation should not exceed 6 minutes
- See oral presentation rubric below for expectations

Label the PowerPoint with the name of your health department, e.g., Baker, Able, etc

**Due: Sunday, April 7,** by 11:59pm CDT (use assignment upload on Canvas site)

#### ORAL PRESENTATION RUBRIC ON NEXT PAGE.

	Excellent	Good	Needs improvement
Delivery	Good eye contact, seldom looks at notes, persuasive	Good eye contact, frequent use of notes	Minimal or no eye contact
Content	Good organization, interesting and persuasive content	Adequate organization, content is not compelling	Poorly organized, uncomfortable with content, not persuasive
Audience awareness	Enthusiastic, "reads" and engages audience		Bored and boring
Slides	Appropriate amount of material per slide, no more than one slide per minute	Appropriate amount of material but poorly designed	Too much material per slide, poorly designed

## Week 4.1: Monday, April 8: Presentations + Performance management

#### Before class

	repare	formal	oral	presentation	of strategic	plan	and	budget.
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- ☐ Cunningham L, MacGregor J. Why big business is falling out of love with the annual performance review. Washington Post. August 17, 2015. ANNOTATED.
- ☐ Buckingham M, Goodall A. Reinventing performance management. HBR. April 2015. ANNOTATED.

## **Optional**

- Kantor J, Streitfeld D. <u>Inside Amazon: wrestling big ideas in a bruising workplace.</u> New York Times. 8/6/2015 <u>http://www.nytimes.com/2015/08/16/technology/inside-amazon-wrestling-big-ideas-in-a-bruising-workplace.html? r=0</u>
- Liff S. Managing Government Employees: How to Motivate Your People, Deal with Difficult Issues, and Achieve Tangible Results. AMACOM, 2007
- Rummler GA, Brache AP <u>Improving Performance: How to Manage the White Space in the Organization Chart</u>. Jossey-Bass; 3rd edition. 2013

## Starter questions for class discussion

What are some of the pros and cons of performance evaluation? Of peer evaluation?

## Week 4.2: Wednesday, April 10: CQI

#### Before class

DHHS. Health Care Quality: <a href="https://health.gov/hcq/about/hcq.asp">https://health.gov/hcq/about/hcq.asp</a>
Take a look at this website and see the projects that DHHS is promoting under the
rubric of "health care quality" (in left navigation bar).
MDH is a leader in PH QI and has an awesome set of tools on their website:
http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/opi/qi/toolbox/ Please review.
We will use the following tools in class:
MDH Lean Essentials [.pdf on Canvas site]
MDH QI Fishbone Diagram [.pdf on Canvas site]
MDH. Radar Chart [.pdf on Canvas site]

## **Optional**

 CDC. Advancing public health: the story of the national public health improvement initiative. [.pdf on Canvas site]

## Starter question for class discussion

What are the characteristics of quality in public and population health?

#### **ASSIGNMENT 4. FISHBONE QI DIAGRAM**

Using the fishbone template available on the Canvas site, the supporting material supplied there ("Ebola resources" or "The opioid crisis"), and research you do on your own, diagram factors underlying either

- the international community's failures in responding to Ebola
- the origins of the opioid crisis in the United States.

You should name your own categories. Each category should have 3 ribs, and one of those ribs should have a "riblet." See the template for more instructions on how to use it.

Label the diagram YourLastName Assignment 4.

Assignment due: **Sunday**, **April 14**, **by 11:59 pm CDT**. Submit using the Homework Tool on the Canvas site.

Week 5.1: Monday, April 15: Operations and supply chain management

Guest speaker: Eli Mansfield, MPH; Manager, Dermatology Services, Park Nicollet Health

#### Before class

Ш	Ergun O, et al. Lessons in Disaster Supply Chain Management from Waffle House
	Restaurants. Teaching case. ANNOTATED. [.pdf on Canvas site]
	Review the FDA's list of pharmaceuticals "Currently in Shortage."

## **Optional reading**

UN Humanitarian Response Depot. Standard Operating Procedures, 2018.

## Starter questions

- How are operations in a public agency different from those in a private company?
- What can we learn about operations of our community-based organizations, agency divisions, health care organizations, etc from the Waffle House case?

## Week 5.2: Wednesday, April 17: Managing disasters

#### Before class

WHO. Emergency risk management for health. 2013. [.pdf on Canvas site]
DHS. National incident management system. December 2008. Read pp. 5-8:
Introduction and overview. [.pdf on Canvas site]
Read <b>one</b> of these articles:

- Paddock RC. How rescuers in a Thai cave pulled off the impossible. New York Times. July 10, 2018. <a href="https://www.nytimes.com/2018/07/10/world/asia/thailand-cave-rescue-how.html">https://www.nytimes.com/2018/07/10/world/asia/thailand-cave-rescue-how.html</a>
- CDC. <u>Guidelines for large-scale novel H1N1 influenza vaccination clinics</u>. December 2015.
- PAHO. Management of dead bodies in disaster situations. 2004. Pp 1-20.
- Points of Light. Managing spontaneous volunteers in times of disaster. Pp. 4-19 [.pdf on Canvas site]
- CDC. <u>Developing an incident management system to support Ebola response</u> Liberia, July-August 2014. MMWR 2014; 63(41);930-933

## **Optional**

- O Landesman LY. Public health management of disasters. APHA, 2012.
- O CDC. Public Health Preparedness Capabilities: National Standards for State and Local Planning. http://www.cdc.gov/phpr/capabilities/index.htm
- Radiolab segment on Five Days at Memorial. What happened at one hospital in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. <a href="https://www.wnycstudios.org/story/playing-god/">https://www.wnycstudios.org/story/playing-god/</a>

## Starter question for class discussion

How is managing in an emergency different from everyday management?

# ASSIGNMENT 5A: FEMA INTRODUCTION TO THE INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM.

FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) provides lots of online training about the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the Incident Command System (ICS).

Complete FEMA's interactive web-based course, <u>IS-100.C: Introduction to Incident Command System, ICS-100</u>, take the final exam, and submit the certificate via the Homework submission tool before **Sunday**, **April 21**, **11:59 pm CDT**.

The course takes about 3 hours and it can take 48 hours to get the certificate by email, so plan ahead.

Label it YourLastName Assignment 5.

**ASSIGNMENT 5B. PRINT OUT AND COMPLETE PAGES 1 THROUGH 4** (the questionnaire and scoring portions) of the Thomas Kilman Conflict Mode Assessment (.pdf on Canvas site) and bring it to class on Monday class. Filling it out and totaling the score takes about an hour.

#### Week 6.1: Monday, April 22: Conflict Management

#### **Before class**

Lipman V. How to manage conflict at work. Forbes. April 3, 2013. [.pdf on Canvas site]
Fick-Cooper L, Baker EL. Building conflict competence. J Public Health Management
Practice. 2011;17:187–189 ANNOTATED
Sandman P. Hostile meetings: When opponents want to talk. ANNOTATED. [.pdf on
Canvas site]
Print out and complete pages 1 through 4 (the questionnaire and scoring portions of
the Thomas Kilman Conflict Mode Assessment filling it out and totaling the score takes
about an hour) [.pdf on Canvas site] and be prepared to discuss in class.

#### **Optional**

- o Patterson K. <u>Crucial conversations: Tools for talking when stakes are high</u>. McGraw-Hill Education.
- Lipman V. How to manage difficult but talented employees. Forbes. March 28, 2012 <a href="http://www.forbes.com/sites/victorlipman/2012/03/28/how-to-manage-difficult-but-talented-employees/#6f3b64dc28da">http://www.forbes.com/sites/victorlipman/2012/03/28/how-to-manage-difficult-but-talented-employees/#6f3b64dc28da</a>

 Greenberg S. <u>It's time to give managers basic training in mental health</u>. Quartz. August 9, 2018.

## Starter questions for class

When is conflict in the workplace a good thing?

## Week 6.2: Wednesday, April 24: Negotiation

Guest speaker: Darren Kaltved, Career Services, UMN SPH: Negotiating a job offer.

#### Before class

- □ DHHS. Negotiating a partnership agreement: Wisdom from the field.

  <a href="http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/tta-system/operations/docs/quilt-negotiating-partnership-agreement.pdf">http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/tta-system/operations/docs/quilt-negotiating-partnership-agreement.pdf</a> [.pdf on Canvas site]
- ☐ William Ury. The walk from "no" to "yes." TED talk (18 mins, 45 secs)

## **Optional**

- Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. <u>Evaluating and negotiating a job</u> offer.
- Shilton AC. How to be an ace salary negotiator (even if you hate conflict). New York Times. August 12, 2018.
- Briggs XS. We are all negotiators now: An introduction to negotiation in community problem-solving. WHO. 2003

#### Starter question for class discussion

What characteristics make a good negotiator?

#### **ASSIGNMENT 6. NEGOTIATION ESSAY**

Below are several public health point-counterpoint statements. <u>Both sides are right</u>. Write an essay (up to 350 words; one page double-spaced) which describes a setting in which both sides achieve their goals (e.g., a phased-in set of international regulations governing pollution with financial help from the developed world to make up for slowed development). Your job is <u>not</u> to support one side or the other. You are used to marshaling data and arguing on behalf of one side or the other. In this case you have a different assignment. Your job is to propose a negotiated settlement in which both sides achieve some of their desired goals. You will have to do a little research to understand the issues and the desired outcomes on both sides of the issue.

One way to write this essay is to briefly state each side's POV and objectives, then to suggests some solutions or compromises that help each side meet some of those objectives.

#### Choose one:

- 1. eCigs are dangerous and should be regulated like cigarettes, plus we don't know the health issues related to second-hand vapor vs. eCigs are a valuable tool for quitting smoking and a safer substitute for regular cigarettes and should be easily available. Describe a plan for how eCigs should be regulated in MN.
- 2. Pharmaceutical companies should be able to make a profit *vs.* individuals should be able to buy medications as an affordable price. Describe a plan to accomplish both.
- 3. DDT causes ecologic damage and should not be used anywhere in the world *vs.* DDT is one of the most effective and cost-effective anti-Zika measures there is. Describe a plan for the use of DDT in Zika-affected areas.

Writing quality counts. See the writing assessment rubric to understand the grading approach.

Label your document YourLastName Assignment 6

Assignment Due: Sunday, April 28 by 11:59pm CDT (use assignment upload on Canvas site). This assignment is worth 10 points.

## Week 7.1: Monday, April 29: Leadership + Managing change

#### **Before class**

Lee TP. <u>Discussing change management in public health</u> . Public Health National
Center for Innovation. October 25, 2017.
Zimmerman E. Jeffrey Pfeffer: Why the Leadership Industry Has Failed. September
9, 2015. Insights by Stanford Business. ANNOTATED
Watkins MD. How managers become leaders. Video adaptation of Harvard Business
Review article. May 3, 2017. (7 mins, 5 secs) (I apologize: you have to endure a 15
sec commercial up front.)
The story of water in Flint, MI [.pdf on Canvas site]

## **Optional**

- Sinek S. Why good leaders make you feel safe. TED talk. (11 mins, 56 secs)
- Cain S. <u>Not leadership material? Good. The world needs followers</u>. New York Times. March 24, 2017.
- Markowitz G, Rosner D. <u>Citizen scientists and the lessons of Flint</u>. The Milbank Quarterly. October 13, 2016.
- If you're interested in the legal framework that allowed Flint to happen: Jacobson PD, et al. <u>Learning from the Flint Water Crisis</u>: <u>Protecting the public's health during a financial emergency</u>. <u>U of Michigan SPH</u>. <u>January 2018</u>.

## Starter questions for class

- What are the characteristics of a great leader?
- Does a leader need to manage? Does a manager need to lead?
- Pfeffer talks about useful metrics of effective leadership, but doesn't define them.
   What might some of those metrics be?

## Week 7.2: Wednesday, May 1: Project management

#### Before class

	CDC. Welcome to the CDC Unified Process. Take a look at this website and be familiar
	with the range of resources that the CDC provides.
П	Freakonomics Here's why all your projects are always late — and what to do about it

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March 7, 2018.	(41 mins,	13 secs)	This is a	podcast:	you can	either listen	to it c	or read
the transcript.								

□ MDH Gantt Chart.

## **Optional**

- If you really love project management, the CDC has lots of resources. They focus on IT project management, but are applicable in lots of settings. <u>CDC Project Management</u> <u>Community of Practice</u>
- o The EU Health Programme. Project management in PH in Europe. [.pdf on Canvas site]

#### Starter question for class

Is every manager really just a project manager?

#### HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT ON NEXT PAGE.

#### **ASSIGNMENT 7. PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**Using Excel**, create a Project Management Plan for Summer and Fall Semester 2019. If you are graduating in May, then make a plan for job hunting/moving/traveling/ starting new job, etc. Design your plan however you want, but please include

- 1. Each course, approximate start and finish dates:
  - a. e.g., "September 3, 2019" or "B Semester Fall 2019"
  - b. If there are syllabi available for your courses, include dates for exams, major papers, projects.
- 2. Registration deadlines for Spring 2020 Semester, if applicable.
- 3. If you're working on your ILE (master's project), applicable dates and deadlines.
- 4. If you're organizing your APEx (field experience), applicable dates and deadlines.
- 5. If you're graduating, job search plan or job start dates
- 6. At least one non-school obligation's significant deadlines and milestones (e.g "sister getting married," or "training for marathon," or "vacation in Florida, <start date> and <end date>").
- 7. Use at least one term from PM vocabulary (e.g., milestone, critical path, work breakdown structure)
- 8. Please consider design elements (color, font, etc) in your flow sheet. You can design it however it makes sense to you.

Assignment due Sunday, May 5, by 11:59 pm CDT. Use homework upload on Canvas.

Label it YourLastName Assignment 7. This assignment is worth 10 points.

## Week 8.1: Monday, May 6: Miscellaneous topics

## Guest speaker: Sarah Bjorkman, Director of Communications, SPH

- Social media marketing
- Managing the media
- Organizational culture
- How to run a meeting

#### **Before class**

CDC. CDC Social Media Tools.
McCann M. Tips for a successful media interview. [.pdf on Canvas site]
Grant A. The one question you should ask about every new job. New York Times
December 19, 2015.
Heffernan V. Meet is murder. New York Times Magazine. Feb 25, 2016.

## Optional

Fishbach A. In choosing a job, focus on the fun. New York Times, January 13, 2017
 <a href="https://www.nytimes.com/2017/01/13/jobs/in-choosing-a-job-focus-on-the-fun.html">https://www.nytimes.com/2017/01/13/jobs/in-choosing-a-job-focus-on-the-fun.html</a>

## Week 8.2: Wednesday, May 8: Finishing up and learning plan

#### Before class

□ Beck R, Harter J. Why good managers are so rare. Harvard Business Review Blog Network. March 13, 2014

## **Optional**

- Bryant A. How to be a CEO from a decade's worth of them. October 27, 2017. The New York Times. <u>The corner office. Highlights from conversations about leadership</u> and management.
- Shellenbarger S. <u>How to gain power at work when you have none.</u> Wall Street Journal. March 6, 2018
- Bai P. <u>A beginner's guide to making the imposter syndrome your friend</u>. Medium. 7/11/2018.
- Clark D. <u>Think strategically about your career development.</u> Harvard Business Review. December 6, 2016. You may have to purchase this article to view it.

## Starter questions for class discussion

So why are good managers so rare?

#### 7. EVALUATION & GRADING

PubH 6751 is required core-MPH course and must be graded on an A-F basis. See the assignments, points, and basis of evaluation on the next page

## Assignments, points, and basis of evaluation

Activity	In class or homework?	Points	Individual or group?	Due date	Basis of evaluation
General Class Participation	"In class"	20	Individual	Through all 7 weeks	Asking and answering questions (either in class or by email); volunteering to present your group's response; discussing articles
ASSIGNMENT 1. Management competing values self- assessment essay (up to 350 words)	HW	10	Individual	11:59 pm CDT, Sunday, March 24	Written assignment rubric p. 20
ASSIGNMENT 2. Essay on group dynamics of humanitarian cluster (up to 350 words)	HW	10	Cluster	11:59 pm CDT, Sunday, March 31	Written assignment rubric; everyone in group will get the same grade
ASSIGNMENT 3A. Local Health Department strategic plan and budget	HW	10	Group	11:59 pm CDT, Sunday, April 7	Local HD budget and strategic plan rubric p. 8 of syllabus; everyone in group will get the same score
ASSIGNMENT 3B. Local Health Department strategic plan and budget oral presentation	In class	5	Group	Presentation in class on April 8	Oral presentation rubric p. 9 of syllabus; everyone in group will get the same score

# Assignments, points, and basis of evaluation (cont'd)

Activity	In class or homework?	Points	Individual or group?	Due date	Basis of evaluation
Peer assessment by Local Health Department Project team members	In class	5 (average of peer scores)	Individual assess- ment by peers)	Done in class on April 10	Peer assessment rubric to be developed) in class on Nov 12
ASSIGNMENT 4. Fishbone QI Diagram	HW	10	Individual	11:59 pm CDT, Sunday, April 14	See rubric in syllabus.
ASSIGNMENT 5. FEMA ICS module certificate	HW	10	Individual	11:59 pm CDT, Sunday, April 21	It may take 48 hours after you complete the module to get the certificate emailed to you, so plan ahead.
ASSIGNMENT 6. Negotiation essay (up to 350 words)	HW	10	Individual	11:59 CDT, Sunday, April 28	Written assignment rubric
ASSIGNMENT 7. MPH degree project plan (use Excel)	HW	10	Individual	11:59 pm CDT, May 5	Project management rubric (p.16 of syllabus)
Total Points		100			

## **Written Assignment Assessment Rubric**

	Exemplary (Full points)	Satisfactory (High partial points)	Unsatisfactory (Low partial points)	Unacceptable (0 Points)
Insight	Written content is original, is thought provoking and analytic, and stimulates inquiry and investigation.	Written content is acceptable but does not consistently demonstrate higher order thinking.	Written content is vague, is incomplete, or demonstrates a low level of thinking.	Written content is inappropriate.
Timeliness	Written content is submitted by deadline.	Written content is submitted after the deadline, but with permission.  Written content is submitted after the deadline without getting permission from the instructor.		Nothing is submitted.
Course content	Written content effectively incorporates concepts from the course.	Written content incorporates course concepts superficially.	Written content does not incorporate course concepts.	Written content does not relate to topic.
Writing	Thoughtful organization, good grammar, no typos	Good organization, adequate grammar, few typos	Many typos, poor organization, adequate grammar	Incomplete sentences, poor grammar
Group aspect	Shows evidence of including input from everyone in the group; includes all group members' names		Written by one person; does not incorporate a group perspective	

## **Grading Scale**

The University uses plus and minus grading on a 4.000 cumulative grade point scale in accordance with the following, and you can expect the grade lines to be drawn as follows:

% In Class	Grade	GPA
93 - 100%	Α	4.000
90 - 92%	A-	3.667
87 - 89%	B+	3.333
83 - 86%	В	3.000
80 - 82%	B-	2.667
77 - 79%	C+	2.333
73 - 76%	С	2.000
70 - 72%	C-	1.667
67 - 69%	D+	1.333
63 - 66%	D	1.000
< 62%	F	

- A = achievement that is outstanding relative to the level necessary to meet course requirements.
- B = achievement that is significantly above the level necessary to meet course requirements.
- C = achievement that meets the course requirements in every respect.
- D = achievement that is worthy of credit even though it fails to meet fully the course requirements.
- F = failure because work was either (1) completed but at a level of achievement that is not worthy of credit or (2) was not completed and there was no agreement between the instructor and the student that the student would be awarded an I (Incomplete).
- S = achievement that is satisfactory, which is equivalent to a C- or better
- N = achievement that is not satisfactory and signifies that the work was either 1) completed but at a level that is not worthy of credit, or 2) not completed and there was no agreement between the instructor and student that the student would receive an I (Incomplete).

Evaluation/Grading Policy	Evaluation/Grading Policy Description
Scholastic Dishonesty, Plagiarism, Cheating, etc.	You are expected to do your own academic work and cite sources as necessary. Failing to do so is scholastic dishonesty. Scholastic dishonesty means plagiarizing; cheating on assignments or examinations; engaging in unauthorized collaboration on academic work; taking, acquiring, or using test materials without faculty permission; submitting false or incomplete records of academic achievement; acting alone or in cooperation with another to falsify records or to obtain dishonestly grades, honors, awards, or professional endorsement; altering, forging, or misusing a University

academic record; or fabricating or falsifying data, research procedures, or data analysis (As defined in the Student Conduct Code). For additional information, please see <a href="https://z.umn.edu/dishonesty">https://z.umn.edu/dishonesty</a>

The Office of Community Standards has compiled a useful list of Frequently Asked Questions pertaining to scholastic dishonesty: <a href="https://z.umn.edu/integrity">https://z.umn.edu/integrity</a>.

If you have additional questions, please clarify with your instructor. Your instructor can respond to your specific questions regarding what would constitute scholastic dishonesty in the context of a particular class-e.g., whether collaboration on assignments is permitted, requirements and methods for citing sources, if electronic aids are permitted or prohibited during an exam.

Indiana University offers a clear description of plagiarism and an online quiz to check your understanding (<a href="https://www.indiana.edu/~academy/firstPrinciples/index.html">https://www.indiana.edu/~academy/firstPrinciples/index.html</a>).

If you experience an extraordinary event that prevents you from completing coursework on time and you would like to make arrangements to make up your work, contact your instructor within 24 hours of the missed deadline if an event could not have been anticipated and at least 48 hours prior if it is anticipated. Per University policy, legitimate reasons for making up work may include:

## Makeup Work for Legitimate Reasons

- illness
- serious accident or personal injury
- hospitalization
- death or serious illness within the family
- bereavement
- religious observances
- subpoenas
- jury duty
- military service
- participation in intercollegiate athletic events

## **Grade Disputes**

Grade disputes are accepted between the final day of class and until 5 p.m. CDT for the 5 days following the final day of class.

Grade dispute requests are only accepted for point allocations that would affect the final letter grade that a student would receive for the course. If you wish to dispute the number of points you receive on a class assignment, you must do so in writing. You must submit a request (500 words maximum) that includes a specific rationale for why the assignment deserves a higher grade and where additional points were earned but not allocated. The instructor reserves the right to either increase or decrease the final point allocation upon review, based upon the merits of the assignment and the request. The only exception to this policy is for a student to note a mathematical error in a grading rubric. A grade of incomplete "I" shall be assigned at the discretion of the instructor when, due to extraordinary circumstances (e.g., documented illness or hospitalization, death in family, etc.), the student was prevented from completing the work of the course on time. The assignment of an "I" requires that a contract be initiated and completed by the student before the last official day of class, and signed by both the student and instructor. If an incomplete is deemed appropriate by the instructor, the student, in consultation with the instructor, will specify the time and **Incomplete Contracts** manner in which the student will complete course requirements. Extension for completion of the work will not exceed one year (or earlier if designated by the student's college). The maximum time allowed for a student to fulfill incomplete course requirements is one year or as specified on the incomplete contract, agreed upon by the instructor and student. Students who fail to meet incomplete contract deadlines as determined by instructor and student will receive a grade of F or N (depending on grade option). For more information and to initiate an incomplete contract, students should go to SPHGrades (<a href="http://www.sph.umn.edu/grades">http://www.sph.umn.edu/grades</a>). Student feedback on course content and faculty teaching skills Course Evaluation are an important means for improving our work. The SPH collects anonymous student course evaluations electronically

	using a software system called CoursEval (http://www.sph.umn.edu/courseval). Students who complete their course evaluations will be able to access their final grade as soon as the faculty member submits the grade in SPHGrades (http://www.sph.umn.edu/grades) before it is recorded on an official transcript. All students will have access to their final grades through MyU two weeks after the last day of the term regardless of whether they completed their course evaluation or not.  Note: This is School of Public Health procedure—not a University-wide policy—and therefore applies to Public Health courses only.
UMN Uniform Grading & Transcript Policy	Information about the UMN policy on grading and transcripts can be found at <a href="https://z.umn.edu/gradingpolicy">https://z.umn.edu/gradingpolicy</a>
Grade Option Change	For full-semester courses, students may change their grade option, if applicable, through the second week of the semester. Grade option change deadlines for other terms (i.e. summer and half-semester courses) can be found at <a href="https://onestop.umn.edu/dates-and-deadlines">https://onestop.umn.edu/dates-and-deadlines</a> .
Course Withdrawal	Students should refer to the Refund and Drop/Add Deadlines for the particular term at <a href="https://onestop.umn.edu/dates-and-deadlines">https://onestop.umn.edu/dates-and-deadlines</a> for information and deadlines for withdrawing from a course. As a courtesy, students should notify their instructor and, if applicable, advisor of their intent to withdraw.
	Students wishing to withdraw from a course after the noted final deadline for a particular term must contact the School of Public Health Student Services Center at <a href="mailto:sph-ask@umn.edu">sph-ask@umn.edu</a> for further information.

## 8. OTHER COURSE INFORMATION & POLICIES

Policy	Policy Description
Student Conduct	The University seeks an environment that promotes academic achievement and integrity, that is protective of free inquiry, and that serves the educational mission of the University. Similarly, the University seeks a community that is free from violence, threats, and

intimidation; that is respectful of the rights, opportunities, and welfare of students, faculty, staff, and guests of the University; and that does not threaten the physical or mental health or safety of members of the University community. As a student at the University you are expected adhere to Board of Regents Student Conduct Code (https://z.umn.edu/studentconduct). Note that the conduct code specifically addresses disruptive classroom conduct, which means "engaging in behavior that substantially or repeatedly interrupts either the instructor's ability to teach or student learning. The classroom extends to any setting where a student is engaged in work toward academic credit or satisfaction of program-based requirements or related activities." The University of Minnesota is committed to providing equitable access to learning opportunities for all students. The Disability Resource Center Student Services is the campus office that collaborates with students who have disabilities to provide and/or **Disability** arrange reasonable accommodations. **Accommodations** If you have, or think you may have, a disability (e.g., mental health, attentional, learning, chronic health, sensory, or physical), please contact DRC at 612-626-1333 or drc@umn.edu to arrange a confidential discussion regarding equitable access and reasonable accommodations https://z.umn.edu/resourcesdisability. "Sexual harassment" means unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and/or other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature. Such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably Sexual interfering with an individual's work or academic performance or Harassment creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working or academic environment in any University activity or program https://z.umn.edu/harrassment As a student you may experience a range of issues that can cause barriers to learning, such as strained relationships, increased anxiety, alcohol/drug problems, feeling down, difficulty concentrating and/or **Mental Health** lack of motivation. These mental health concerns or stressful events and Stress may lead to diminished academic performance and may reduce your Management ability to participate in daily activities. University of Minnesota services are available to assist you. You can learn more about the broad range of confidential mental health services available on campus via the

Student Mental Health Website https://z.umn.edu/mentalhlth.

Inclusive Language (if relevant for content)	Example: While, for the most part, our culture uses a gender-binary and sex-binary framework—thinking and functioning in terms of men and women when discussing gender, or male and female when discussing biological sex, we at the recognize that this doesn't encompass everyone's experience or identity and have therefore used inclusive language throughout the course. Such language consists of words and phrases that demonstrate respect for how a variety of individuals self-identify their gender and sexual orientation, describe their bodies and relationships, and express their sexuality. When we report research results, we use the same terms used by the researchers, recognizing that some of the research may not be inclusive. Despite its potentially exclusionary nature, we have chosen to include such research within the lessons because we believe that the data still has value in informing and supporting our discussions and may be the only or best data available on a given topic.
Use of Personal Electronic Devices in the Classroom	The University establishes the right of each faculty member to determine if and how personal electronic devices are allowed to be used in the classroom. For complete information, please reference: <a href="https://z.umn.edu/electronicdevices">https://z.umn.edu/electronicdevices</a>
Appropriate Student Use of Class Notes and Course Materials	Respecting intellectual property. Students may not distribute instructor-provided notes or other course materials, except to other members of the same class or with the express (written) consent of the instructor. Instructors have the right to impose additional restrictions on course materials in accordance with copyright and intellectual property law and policy. Students may not engage in the widespread distribution or sale of transcript-like notes or notes that are close to verbatim records of a lecture or presentation. <a href="https://z.umn.edu/classnotes">https://z.umn.edu/classnotes</a>
The Office of Student Affairs at the University of Minnesota	The Office for Student Affairs provides services, programs, and facilities that advance student success, inspire students to make lifelong positive contributions to society, promote an inclusive environment, and enrich the University of Minnesota community.  Units within the Office for Student Affairs include, the Aurora Center for Advocacy & Education, Boynton Health Service, Central Career Initiatives (CCE, CDes, CFANS), Leadership Education and Development –Undergraduate Programs (LEAD-UP), the Office for Fraternity and Sorority Life, the Office for Community Standards, the
	Office of Multicultural Student Engagement, the Parent and Family Program, Recreation and Wellness,, Off-Campus Living,, the Student Conflict Resolution Center, the Student Parent HELP Center, Student

	Unions & Activities, Student Counseling Services,, and University Student Legal Service <a href="https://z.umn.edu/communitystand">https://z.umn.edu/communitystand</a> .
Academic Freedom and Responsibility	Academic freedom is a cornerstone of the University. Within the scope and content of the course as defined by the instructor, it includes the freedom to discuss relevant matters in the classroom and conduct relevant research in courses in which students are conducting research. Along with this freedom comes responsibility. Students are encouraged to develop the capacity for critical judgment and to engage in a sustained and independent search for truth. Students are free to take reasoned exception to the views offered in any course of study and to reserve judgment about matters of opinion, but they are responsible for learning the content of any course of study for which they are enrolled.*
	When conducting research, pertinent institutional approvals must be obtained and the research must be consistent with University policies.  Reports of concerns about academic freedom are taken seriously, and there are individuals and offices available for help. Contact the instructor, the program director or director of graduate studies, your adviser, the associate dean of the college, (Dr. Kristin Anderson, <a href="mailto:ander116@umn.edu">ander116@umn.edu</a> , SPH Associate Dean for Learning Systems and Student Affairs), or the Vice Provost for Faculty and Academic Affairs in the Office of the Provost.
	* Language adapted from the American Association of University Professors "Joint Statement on Rights and Freedoms of Students".

## 9. UMN STUDENT RESOURCES

Resource	Resource Description
Important Dates	The University's academic calendar lists important University dates, deadlines, and holidays: <a href="http://www.onestop.umn.edu/calendars/index.html">http://www.onestop.umn.edu/calendars/index.html</a> .
Student Academic Success Services (SASS)	Students who wish to improve their academic performance may find assistance from Student Academic Support Services <a href="http://www.sass.umn.edu">http://www.sass.umn.edu</a> .

## Student Writing Support (SWS) offers free writing instruction for all University of Minnesota students—graduate and undergraduate—at all stages of the writing process. In face-to-face and online collaborative consultations, SWS consultants from across the disciplines help students develop productive writing habits and revision strategies. **Student Writing** Consulting is available by appointment online and in Nicholson Hall, Support and on a walk-in basis in Appleby Hall. For more information, visit the SWS website (http://writing.umn.edu/sws) or call 612-625-1893. In addition, SWS's web-based resources offer support on a number of topics such as avoiding plagiarism, documenting sources, and planning and completing a writing project. Any student who has difficulty affording groceries or accessing sufficient food to eat every day or who lacks a safe and stable place to live, and believes this may affect their performance in the course, is encouraged to utilize local housing and financial resources (https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4ZsPhqdEA fbkJsd2dNUjRDT3YyUU Housing and J5dkNVMIQ3bDVTamxj/view), the Nutritious U Food Pantry **Financial** https://osa.umn.edu/nutritious-u, the Student Emergency Loan Fund Instability (http://selfund.umn.edu/), or emergency funding through the Student Parent HELP Center (for students with a child/children) (http://www.sphc.umn.edu/undergraduate-child-care-assistance-grantsand-other-funding). Furthermore, please notify your instructor or TA if you are comfortable in doing so they can provide any other resources they may be aware of.