



SPPH Vancouver Summer Program Instructor Posting

The UBC Vancouver Summer Program (VSP) is a four-week academic program offered to international students to study at UBC. This program provides a great opportunity for the School of Population and Public Health (SPPH) to promote population and public health to undergraduate students from around the world. One block is offered by SPPH for VSP: July 14 – August 7, 2025, and it consists of two courses: Social Determinants of Health and Introduction to Population and Public Health.

SPPH is recruiting a graduate student to teach the **Introduction to Population and Public Health** course for the July 14 – August 7, 2025 block. The course description is as follows:

This course examines how we can respond to population and public health concerns. It introduces key perspectives and frameworks that inform activities aimed at improving health of individuals, families, communities, and nations. Students will learn about a wide variety of topics, including health promotion, disease prevention, monitoring and surveillance, and treatment. These topics are important for those interested in pursuing careers in medicine or health sciences. The University of British Columbia's School of Population and Public Health (SPPH) is recognized as a world leader in this area. Through presentations, problem-based learning, group assignments, class discussions, and field trips, students will expand their understanding of health and consider how to apply approaches to population and public health in their future work in their home countries and around the world.

The instructor is responsible for the course content, delivery, assessment and grade entry. A draft syllabus has been created and the instructor is expected to adapt this syllabus to match their teaching style while also liaising with the instructor for the other course to ensure course content flow together. The course will run July 15 to August 7, 2025 every weekday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. There will be 39 hours of class time including the final exam/project. In addition, the instructor is expected to spend additional time preparing for the course, evaluating assignments, and handling end-of-course work. The instructor will carry out all duties and responsibilities under the direction of the SPPH Associate Director-Education.

Qualifications:

- Currently enrolled as a graduate student at SPPH
- Possess in-depth knowledge about introductory concepts in population and public health
- Experience leading classes and/or tutorials of 20 to 40 students, especially to students who have English as an additional language
- Excellent written communication skills
- Fluent in written and verbal English
- Ability to prioritize work and meet deadlines



- Ability to work independently while also collaborating with the other instructor
- Prior experience with UBC Canvas is an asset

Compensation: \$42.95/hour (Senior Teaching Assistant rate)

Term: 140 hours from June 1 to August 31, 2025

Mode of delivery: in-person

Number of positions available: 1

Please note that this position is dependent on enrollment numbers. SPPH will run the course if we receive at least 12 students for the July-August 2025 block; if we receive less than 12 enrollments, we will not offer the course.

To apply, please forward your cover letter and resume to Lisa McCune, Senior Education Manager, at lisa.m@ubc.ca and Emily Van Gulik, Academic Programs Manager, at emily.vangulik@ubc.ca by **May 18, 2025**.

UBC hires on the basis of merit and is committed to employment equity. We encourage all qualified applicants to apply.