Graduate Applied Practice Experience (GrAPE) Report

# Opportunities

\*To create a better pool of GrAPEs for students, we have developed a faculty form. By DATE, faculty for the MPH program should fill out one form per course taught. Please develop (a) a course-embedded GrAPE to that course, (b) a course-related workshop/training/conference, or (c) both.\*

Recruiting – Currently planning what programs we can target for outreach. Specifically, looking into how we can use JUMP to enhance enrollment into MPH. Also looking to strengthen social media presence to help with both student- and agency-recruitment.

We are beginning to plan different forms of outreach, including a Media Site video and introductory flyer, for GrAPEs. The outreach is first targeting public health departments and agencies. We will be looking into using pieces of this outreach as outreach for the program as a whole (targeting potential students).

We are also working to create an agency-request form. This form will allow agencies to request students to complete a GrAPE with them. We want to insure that each GrAPE is creating opportunities for students to apply content learned in courses to real-world, real-time public health issues, while also ensuring that we are helping meet the agency’s needs.

We are in the planning stages of creating a follow-up conversation with an agency once a student has complete a GrAPE. This will allow us to maintain and strengthen partnerships with the agency.

We are planning out video tutorials and FAQ sheets for students to outline different aspects of GrAPEs (an overview, what a product is, how to submit all GrAPE materials, etc.).

# Changes

We are looking into changing the language of the GrAPEs requirements from “units” to “hours” to halt any student confusion on what constitutes a “GrAPE unit.”

We are changing the database of student GrAPEs to track patterns. As significant patterns emerge, they will be included in reports to the program.