



Human Health Planning Advisory – Task Force –

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THE OPPORTUNITY:

- Healthcare related jobs in SA are rapidly on the rise (e.g., 8,758 added jobs over the last five years in SA MSA)
- Growth in our health-related programs show student interest
 - Combination of STEM + Community
- Partners to collaborate in research and in health related opportunities for our students (e.g., UTSCSA, UT School for Public Health, Haven for Hope)

THE OPPORTUNITY:

- UTSA has deep and broad expertise, from science to policy
- Modern health careers require systems to address complex problems (e.g., obesity, diabetes, and opioid use)





THE OPPORTUNITY:

- Health care is increasingly moving towards:
 - Population Health
 - Precision Medicine
- This further underscores the importance of a community health approach

THE CHALLENGE:

- Our human health related programs are spread across 3+ colleges, buried in several non-obvious departments
- Negatively impacts:
 - Navigability for students, particularly first-gen
 - Visibility. Potential health community partners are not aware of our expertise or programs
 - Limits cross-cutting collaborations in research and program development



TIMELINE:

- PHASE 1 – Ideation
 - Taskforce to convene beginning in November 2018, with initial report submitted by January 2019
- PHASE 2 – Implementation
 - Begins January 2019



THE CHARGE:

- Consider the landscape of UTSA student interests, regional workforce needs and partnering opportunities, and multidisciplinary research opportunities related to human health - from science to policy (and back again)
- Recommend a college organizational structure that aligns health-related programs to enhance student success, career readiness and partnering opportunities, transdisciplinary research and funding competitiveness

THE PROCESS:

1. Survey the landscape
 - Student need/interest
 - Workforce needs of the San Antonio community and alignment with UTSA's human health related programs
 - Transdisciplinary funding opportunities



THE PROCESS:

2. Recommend realigned structure
 - Units and departments
 - Naming alternative(s)
 - Alignment with external partners
 - Benefits to faculty, students and staff
 - Risks and avoidance plan
 - Accreditation considerations
 - Short-term operation critical investments
 - Other considered models or resultant needs



THE PROCESS:

3. Proposed new structure must be:

- Student-centric
- Logical, intuitive, and centered around advancing human health from a transdisciplinary perspective
- Focused around maximizing synergies and new opportunities
- Financially viable
- Fair. Cannot jeopardize the viability of any existing or remaining colleges/departments

SUCCESS METRICS:

- Enrollment
- Retention
- Partnerships
- Funding for research and training



INVITED MEMBERS

UNIT OR PROGRAM	NAME	POSITION
COEHD	Margo DelliCarpini* CO-CHAIR	Dean
UT Health Science Center at Houston School of Public Health, San Antonio Regional Campus	Melissa Valerio* CO-CHAIR	Regional Dean
Biology	Hans Heidner	Professor
COLFA	Dan Gelo	Dean
Communication	Shamshad Khan	Assistant Professor
COPP	Rob Tillyer	Associate Dean
Counseling	Thelma Duffey	Chair
Criminal Justice	Roger Enriquez	Associate Professor and Director of Public Policy Center
Demography	Lloyd Potter	Professor and Director of Institute for Demographic and Socioeconomic Development
Kinesiology, Health and Nutrition	Sara Oswalt	Chair

INVITED MEMBERS

Kinesiology, Health and Nutrition	Meizi He	Professor
Management	Jonathan Clark	Chair
Medical Humanities	Jessica Wright	Assistant Professor
Political Science and Geography	James Calder	Professor and Interim Chair
Psychology, COLFA	Sandra Morisette	Associate Dean and Professor
Public Administration	Patricia Jaramillo	Senior Lecturer and GAR
Strategic Enrollment	Kristina Garza	Interim AVP for Enrollment Marketing, Communications & Systems
Social Work	Derek Plantega	Senior Lecturer and GAR
Sociology	Thankam Sunil	Professor and Director of the Institute for Health Disparities Research
Sociology	Christopher Ellison	Dean's distinguished professor
University College	Heather Shipley	Dean, VP of Academic Affairs
UT Health San Antonio	Jacqueline Mok	Vice President for Academic, Faculty, and Student Affairs
UTSA and UTHealth School of Public Health alumnus	Alwyn Mathew	Recent alumnus of the 4+1 program

INVITED MEMBERS

UT Health San Antonio School of Nursing	Eileen Breslin	Dean
UT Health Science Center at Houston School of Public Health	Eric Boerwinkle	Dean
<i>Academic Affairs</i>	<i>Kelly Garza* (resource member)</i>	<i>Assistant Director of Academic Budgets/Planning</i>
<i>Institutional Effectiveness</i>	<i>Kasey Neece-Fielder* (resource member)</i>	<i>Associate Vice Provost for Strategic Planning and Assessment</i>
<i>Institutional Effectiveness</i>	<i>Steve Wilkerson* (resource member)</i>	<i>Associate Vice Provost for Institutional Research</i>
<i>Research</i>	<i>Arya Singh* (resource member)</i>	<i>Director of Information Systems and Technology</i>

Questions?