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The Centre for Urban Equity and Health



Locally Relevant – Globally Cutting Edge



Inspiring Excellence

The Centre for Urban Equity and Health (CUEH)

Through research, training and partnership building, the Centre for Urban Equity and Health (CUEH) fosters innovation on how to redress urban health inequities within Bangladesh and around the world.

Based at the BRAC James P Grant School of Public Health (JPGSPH), BRAC University, in Dhaka, Bangladesh. CUEH serves as a knowledge hub on urban health equity with a specific focus on the social determinants of inequities in health, and the health systems issues of governance, information, human resources and service delivery.

Through collaborative activities and joint learning, CUEH galvanizes evidence-informed disclosure and decision-making, and supports partnerships and networking among government policy makers, private and public service providers, researchers and development partners.



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Located in Dhaka the fastest growing megacity in the world, CUEH is well-positioned to analyse and address the health equity impacts of explosive urban population growth.

- CUEH is at the forefront of the current collaborative efforts to advance an urban health strategy that addresses the needs of growing numbers of poor and disadvantaged urban residents, in partnership with decision makers, implementers and community members.
- CUEH actively participates in global research, training and policy meetings and collaborations. Given the ubiquitous complexity of urban health challenges, these global relationships provide rich opportunities to innovate and share cost-effective, intersect oral solutions.

Harnessing Entrepreneurial Talent

CUEH seeks to attract and train a new generation of urban health entrepreneurs who can solve problems and apply new technologies and strategies to benefit the poorest and most marginalized. The ultimate goal of CUEH's urban health entrepreneur is to innovate for sustainability by engaging in the community and investing in efforts that build resilience and equity despite the pressure of rapid urban population growth.

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Training based on Competency Needs

A key area of work for CUEH is building capacities to address urban health inequities among public health and urban development professionals. These include:

- Short courses to enhance skills and competencies for better urban health governance, inter-sectoral action, needs and impact assessment; as well as program design, implementation and evaluation.
- Internship opportunities that incorporate structured experimental learning with multiple urban partners of CUEH.
- Postgraduate fellowships for students and professionals working in the area of urban health, development and planning. (see details in the box below)

The Urban Equity and Health Fellowship is a one-year programme that provides 3 months of coursework and a 9-month practicum attached to an organization addressing urban health and development issues.



Developing Urban Research Methods and Measures

The rapid changing and concentrated context of urban areas does not lend itself to traditional approaches to research and policy analysis, or actions used in rural settings.

The work of CUEH on urban health governance, community engagement and accountability, facility mapping and innovations in service delivery models for the urban poor, are contributing towards this emerging area of applied research and policy.

Nurturing Evidence-informed Disclosure and Decision-making

CUEH models good governance practices by embracing a broad participation or relevant sectors (health, housing, transport etc.) and stakeholders (development partners, local government, NGOs etc.), and applying evidence-based approaches to building consensus, aligning resources and coordinating action.



About BRAC JPGSPH

BRAC James P Grant School of Public Health (JPGSPH) was founded with a distinctive mission to address the unmet public health challenges particular to Asia, Africa and South America. Located in Dhaka, Bangladesh, the School was established in 2004 as part of BRAC University, in partnership with BRAC and icddr,b.



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Institutional Partners

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