# PH 556: 2023 UNM SUMMER INSTITUTE IN COMMUNITY BASED PARTICIPATORY ACTION AND RESEARCH FOR HEALTH



# COMMUNITY BASED PARTICIPATORY ACTION AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE: INDIGENOUS AND CRITICAL METHODOLOGIES

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May 17th: 1:00 - 6:00 pm MST: Welcome/Introductions/First Module (by zoom)

May  $22^{nd}$  – May  $26^{th}$ : In-Person. May  $22^{nd}$  1-6 pm; May  $23^{rd}$  -25<sup>th</sup> 8-5 pm; May  $26^{th}$ . 8-2:30 pm (Image Credit: "God Gives the World to Arapahoe Children" by America Meredith [http://www.ahalenia.com/america/]. Image reproduced by permission of the artist.)

PH 556: 2 or 3 graduate credits. All participants should sign up **ASAP** with Domineque at **DoDTenorio@salud.unm.edu**. Official UNM registration opens in March, but Institute typically fills up by end of January.

### **INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE:**

For graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, faculty, researchers, community partners/researchers, academic-community teams, health professionals, scholar-activists, and others. This is an intensive colearning institute to explore how CBPR intersects with indigenous and critical methodologies, including the challenges for academics and community members to co-construct knowledge for improved health equity. Masters students enrolled for 2 credits are expected to participate in readings, discussions, and journal-writing; for 3 doctoral credits, requirements include a CBPR methodology or theory paper. Enrollment is limited to 65 participants. For credit, UNM tuition (or tuition waivers) plus \$40.00 fees. If not enrolled for credit: \$1050 for faculty/researchers; \$700 for research staff or health/social service professionals: \$600 for non-credit students/fellows: \$300 for community members.

CBPR, and related-Participatory Action Research (PAR) & Community-Engaged Research (CEnR), is defined as a "collaborative approach that equitably involves all partners....with the aim of combining knowledge and action for social change to improve health and eliminate health disparities" (Kellogg Foundation). Not simply a set of research methods, CBPR or community-engaged research fundamentally changes the relationship between researchers and researched.

For this Institute, we use a definition of Indigenous, as Native knowledge that is an "exercise in selfdetermination" (Doxtator, 2004), referring to values, beliefs, traditions, and environmental relationships that are deeply embedded within the economic, political and cultural-social contexts in which they have been developed (Ball & Simpkins, 2004; Briggs, 2005). Indigenous methodologies are "those approaches to research that privilege indigenous knowledges, voices, and experiences" (Smith 2005). Critical methodologies, grounded in Paulo Freire's philosophy and critical cultural studies, are approaches to inquiry that are socially-constructed, emancipatory and empowering, and seek social justice (Freire, 1970).

Our goal is to weave CBPR/CEnR/PAR theory and practice with indigenous and critical methodologies through articles, presentations by community-academic partners, discussion, and self-reflection on our own research and practice. Participants will gain appreciation for CBPR/CEnR/PAR advantages & challenges, and skills necessary for participating effectively in partnered research and public health practice.

## STRUCTURE OF INSTITUTE:

### Previous **Participants:**

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I learned:

..."trust is built slowly through self-reflexivity, shared experience & action."

... "how to get started and build partnerships."

...the "importance of applying the CBPR principles when working with communities"

... "how interventions can be conducted in a CBPR setting."

...that "The panel session on researcher identity was very intriguing and caused me to reflect on my roles with doing research & community engagement work."

...that "I gained confidence to participate in CBPR."

### READINGS:

1) Wallerstein, N., Duran, B., Oetzel, J., Minkler, M. (eds). Community Based Participatory Research for Health: Advancing Social and Health Equity, 3rd edition, S.F. Jossey-Bass, 2018 (NOT earlier versions); and 2) Reading Packet on-line.