University of Memphis’ Public Health Summer Institute

The School of Public Health at the University of Memphis hosted its fourth annual Public Health Summer Institute during the first week of August 2015. SPH faculty conducted the following workshops: SAS for Beginners (Dr. Vikki Nolan); Quality Management (Dr. Erik Carlton); Health Analytics (Professor George Relyea); and Data Analysis & Presentation using Excel (Dr. Chunrong Jia). Attendees came from a variety of settings: hospitals, health clinics, community agencies, research groups, and academic institutions. Continuing education was available for RN’s and CPH re-certification.

The workshops were well-received, as noted by the following evaluation comments: “I have truly enjoyed my time in this SAS session. I walked into this class on Monday knowing nothing at all about SAS, and on Tuesday I am feeling confident with my knowledge on SAS.” “Having no background in programming, I thought it would be even more difficult, but she made it easy to accomplish tasks”; “Very hands-on workshop”; “I loved the group activities- they made the information practical and kept me involved and engaged throughout the day.” “He did a good job of presenting the material and keeping the class engaged, especially with a topic that isn’t easy to get people excited about.” “This was an informative and fun workshop.” “He is very entertaining and presents the material well.” “Very knowledgeable instructor.”

The School of Public Health looks forward to hosting another institute next summer to meet the professional training needs expressed by the community.