

SPH 298: INCOME INEQUALITY, HEALTH, POLICIES & ECONOMETRICS

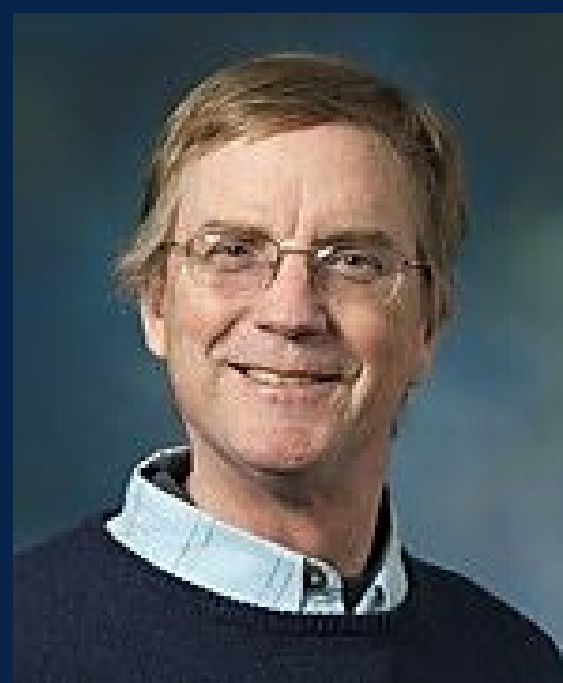
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TUESDAYS, 4:10 PM - 5:50 PM

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First, this class will explore the effects of soaring income inequality on population health. The CDC reports that life expectancy has declined for the first time in over 100 years and attributes the decline to increasing "deaths of despair" -drug overdoses, alcohol abuse, and suicide- in the Midwest and coal country. Second, we will consider policies and institutions that might combat inequality and "deaths of despair" including: minimum wages, the Earned Income Tax Credit, labor unions, paid family leave and education. Finally, we will discuss relevant econometric techniques such as difference-in-differences and instrumental variables.

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