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How UBC Health's model of collaborative health education continues to evolve: From IPE enrichment to integration

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Outline

1. Presentation (20 min)



1. Small group discussions (20 min)

2. Large group discussion (20 min)

Past IPE approaches: Credit courses

IHHS 200	Understanding the Social Determinants of the Health of Populations
IHHS 300	Working in International Health
IHHS 400	Health Care Team Development
IHHS 402	HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care
IHHS 403	Interdisciplinary Practice with Children and Families
IHHS 404	First Nations Health: Historical and Contemporary Issues
IHHS 405	Palliative Care
IHHS 406	Aging from an Interdisciplinary Perspective
IHHS 407	Disability and Justice
IHHS 408	Aboriginal Health: Community-based Learning Experience
IHHS 409	International Indigenous Experiences of Colonization
IHHS 410	Improving Public Health: an Interprofessional Approach to Designing and Implementing Effective Interventions
IHHS 411	Violence Across the Life Span
IHHS 480	Special Topics in Collaborative Healthcare



Past IPE approaches: IPE Passport



- Points-based tracking system
- Based on 2010 UBC IPE model of exposure, immersion, mastery
 - Exposure – eg. panel of experts
 - Immersion – eg. Health Mentors Program
 - Mastery – post-licensure
- Customizable by programs
 - Number of exposure & immersion activities
 - Number of required & enrichment activities
- Too much flexibility to enable effective planning/delivery
- External system – additional administrative load

Shift to current approach

1. Content-focused interprofessional workshops and asynchronous online modules
 - Content as anchor for IP learning
2. Provost influence - economies of scale rationale
3. UBC's Strategic Plans



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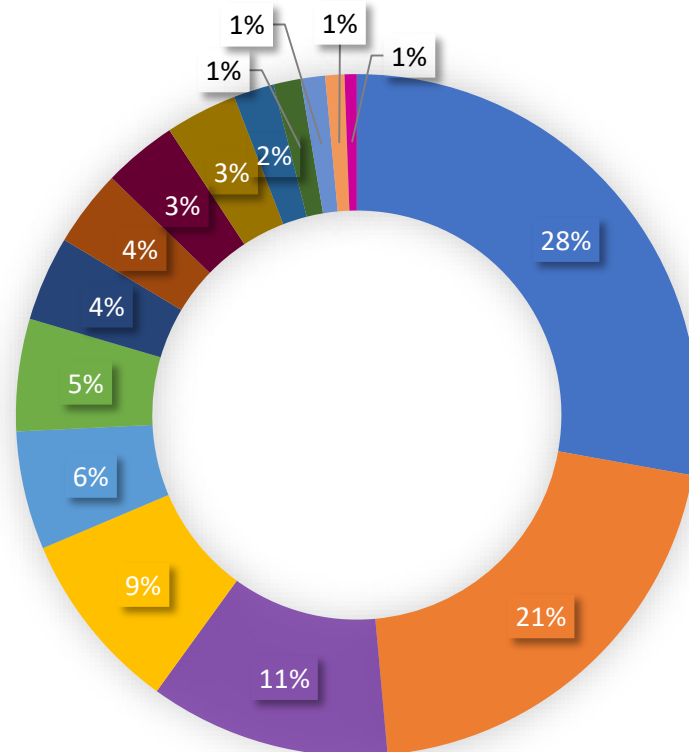
What is the Integrated Curriculum?

- Preparatory asynchronous modules
- Synchronous workshops
 - Minimize didactic portions
 - Maximize IP student interactions
- Topics requested by programs
- Teams of experts developed content
- Co-facilitation model
- Annual facilitator training



Integrated Curriculum program participation

- Medicine
- Pharmacy
- Nursing
- Physical Therapy
- Dentistry
- Occupational Therapy
- Social Work
- Dietetics
- Speech-Language Pathology
- Dental Hygiene
- Midwifery
- Human Kinetics
- Audiology
- Clinical Psychology
- Genetic Counselling



Integrated Curriculum schedule

Integrated Curriculum Activity	Term	Integrated Curriculum Activity	Term
Professionalism	2022W1	Health Informatics	2023W1
iEthics Q1	2022W1	iEthics Q3	2023W1
iEthics Q2	2022W1	iEthics Q4	2023W1
Indigenous Cultural Safety Q1	2022W1	Indigenous Cultural Safety Q3	2023W1
Indigenous Cultural Safety Q2	2022W1	Indigenous Cultural Safety Q4	2023W1
		Collaborative Decision-Making	2023W1



Success factors: Integration into program courses



- Signals to students the importance of IPE
- Programs build curricula and assessment around IC topics
- Quality assurance and quality improvement processes ongoing
- Regular communication with faculty leads and students
- Harmonized approaches to registration, access, & resourcing
- Professional development opportunities for faculty

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Success factors: Protected time slots

- Ensures program commitment
- Overcomes logistical challenges



2022	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
October							1
	2	3	4 EQ3	5	6 IPP	7 EQ3	8
	9	10	11 HI	12	13 Res	14 ICSQ4	15
	16	17	18 ICSQ4	19	20 EQ1	21 HI	22
	23	24	25 CDM	26	27 ICSQ1	28 CDM	29
	30	31					
	Year 1 – light blue Year 2 – dark blue						

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November			1	2	3	4 EQ1	5
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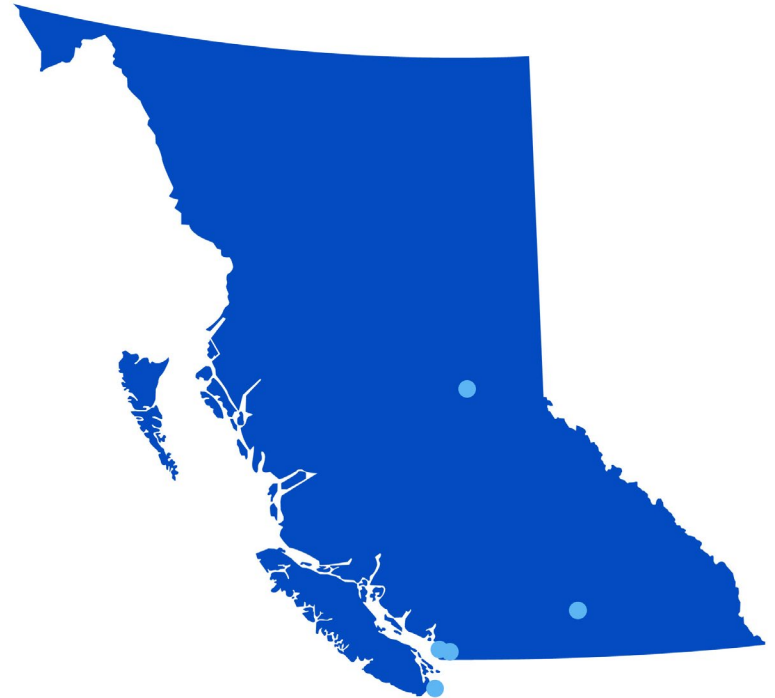
Success factors: Program responsibility for IPE

- Gradual shift in responsibility to programs
 - Facilitator recruitment and remuneration
 - Student participation confirmation and assignment feedback
- Shared workload for enhanced sustainability and resilience
- Enhances understanding of IPE and its complexity with multiple players involved



Success factors: Involving distributed learners

- Four programs use a distributed model; more expected in future
- Some locations lack interprofessional mix
- Online workshop delivery enables exposure to other disciplines
- Appreciate ability to cultivate local relationships



Success factors: Patient educators



- Inclusion of patients as co-facilitators with faculty
- Share their story, engage with discussion, give closing words
- Online workshop supports accessibility
- Students strongly agree that the inclusion of the patient facilitator's perspectives motivated them to place patients at the centre of the health care team

Student quote:

“What I valued most was getting to understand, compare, and contrast other health professional students' perspectives towards patients and healthcare environments.”

Challenges for current model



Scalability and sustainability

- Facilitator recruitment
- Classroom space, especially when involving new, large programs
- Increasingly distributed model of HP education
- Hidden curriculum that undermines IPE/C (siloes disciplinary approach to practice education and no exposure to team-based-care role models)
- Turnover in program faculty IPE leads

Curriculum renewal directions



1. Longitudinal student groups and longitudinal projects
2. Increased patient educator involvement
3. Further emphasis on skills and case-based activities; less focus on content
4. Map Integrated Curriculum to CIHC competencies
5. Balance delivery mode options
6. Incorporate IP competency assessment
7. Experiential IPE (education-practice network)

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Summary

Current strengths:

- Integration model
- Protected time slots
- Program responsibility for IPE
- Inclusion of distributed learners
- Patient educators

Future directions:

- Scalability & sustainability
- Longitudinal activities & groups
- CIHC mapping
- Delivery modes
- IPE assessment
- Experiential IPE (w/in placements)



Breakout room discussions



1. Based on what is working well in your institution, what do you suggest for the Integrated Curriculum?
2. Where do you see your institution's IPE curricula in 5-10 years?
3. What are your burning questions about designing and delivering IPE that you'd like to pose to the other participants?

Large group discussion



Resources



[What is UBC Health?](#)

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