Cooperative Capacity Building Model of Service Learning

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1. Community request for help
2. Needs Assessment
3. Formation of Partnership between community, university &/or relevant NGO
4. Multi Year Service Learning Program “Menu”
Example of Model in Action: Barangay Bagong Silang
# Health Issues:

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B. B. Silang Health Center Representatives + B. B. Silang Local Government + NGO Gawad Kalinga

Improve health status of community members

Preliminary Needs Assessment: Secondary health data, household health survey, key informant interviews

Partnership for Health
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Integrated Service Learning Program

B.B. Silang
Local Government Health Center Docs

Gawad Kalinga NGO

ADMU Health Sciences

Freshman
Sophomores
Juniors
Seniors
Partnership Goal: Build Community Health Center Capacity

Priority Area 1: Increase Satisfaction with Health Center Services
Requests: Health Education for community
Targeted Advocacy (rabies, smoking, littering)
Health information system assessment
Volunteer Health Worker Trainings
Health Center Interns

Priority Area 2: Improve Health Financing
Requests: PhilHealth accreditation for Health Centers & community members
Seniors = Research, Analysis, Advocacy

Examples of projects:
- Household survey (2009)
- Key Informant Interviews (2009)
- Training Needs Assessment for Health Workers (2010)
- Rabies Advocacy (2011)

Required Workshops: “Synthesis of Health”

Social marketing
Health systems innovations
Health policy research & analysis
Juniors = Health Systems

Examples of projects:

• Social Returns on Investment in Health Programs (2010)
• Computer literacy training (2010)
• Health Information systems Assessment (2010-11)
• Health Center Interns (2011)

Required Workshops/courses: “Math of Health”

Epidemiology
Research Skills
Sophomores = Health Promoters

Examples of projects:
- Health Education Theatre (2009-10)
- Dengue trap training (2009)
- Workshops for Children (2011)

Required Workshops/courses: “Language of Health”

Health Indicators

Global & local burdens of disease

National Health Agenda
Freshman = Participant Observers

According to interest / scheduling, students have choice of participating in or observing any of the upper classmen’s projects.

Workshops focus on laying foundations for upcoming years through focus on self awareness and definition of service as systematic, measurable & disciplined (as opposed to charity).
Summary of
Health Sciences Service Learning Program

Four years of progressive experiential learning opportunities,

Symbiotic relationship with Partnership – goals tailored & updated each year as result of previous projects

Integrated into academic curriculum through Health Sciences practicum, certain classes & undergraduate scholarly works

Credited for Philippine government and ADMU mandated non-academic student field service hours

Collection of evidence based projects to serve as templates in future – “menu” of institutional offerings
Results to date: Blurring of beneficiaries / capacity builders
We can do no great things; only small things with great love.

Mother Teresa

Thank you for your attention!

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