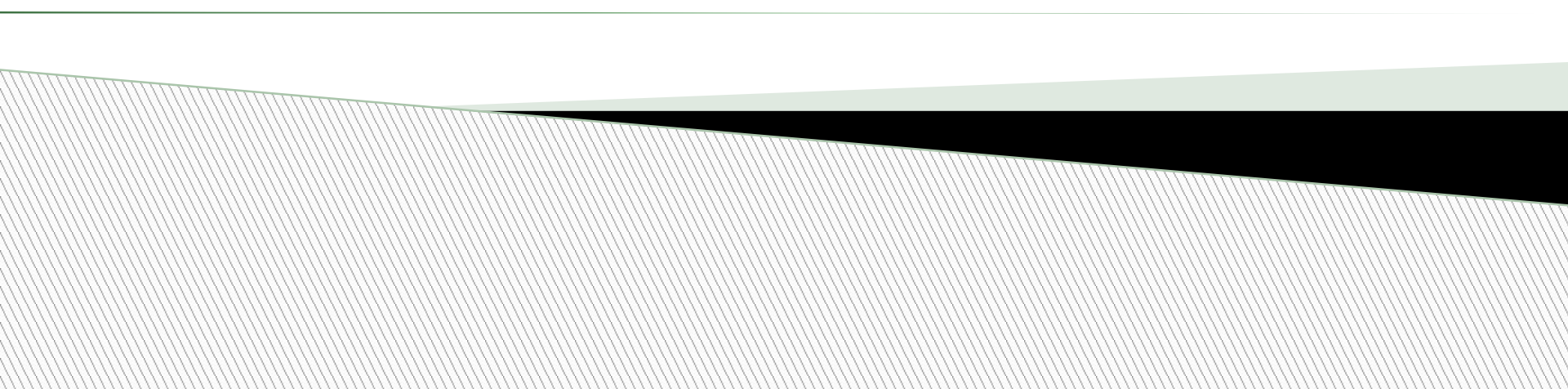


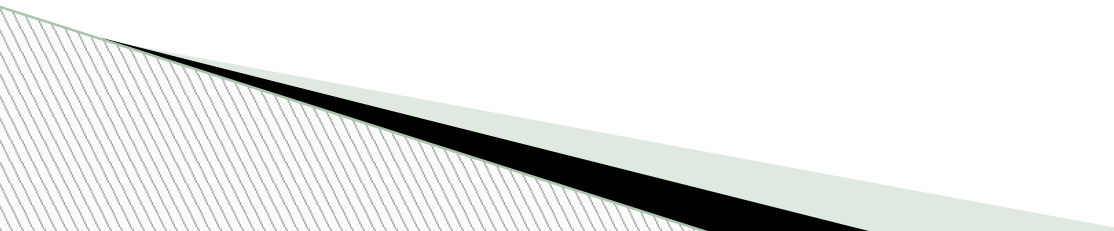
# Annotating Model Student Papers

Writing Across the Curriculum S21 Learning Community

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# GCH 411: Health Program Planning and Evaluation

- ❑ Upper-level, writing intensive course required for majors
  - ❑ Students individually complete a 14-page paper that consists of 4 sections: (1) rationale, (2) goal and objectives, (3) program narrative, and (4) logic model and evaluation plan
  - ❑ Students submit drafts, engage in peer editing, and receive instructor feedback
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# Rubric

Criterion	
Definition of the health problem with citation(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Is the health problem stated?</li> <li>· Is the type of health problem explained?</li> </ul>	Risk factors/determinants of the health problem with citation(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Are risk factors/determinants of the health problem stated?</li> <li>· Are the risk factors/determinants of the health problem explained?</li> </ul>
National or international health statistics with citation(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Are statistics provided that illustrate the nationwide severity/significance of the health topic?</li> </ul>	Proposed solution with citation(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Is a solution mentioned?</li> <li>· Is evidence provided to suggest it will be effective?</li> </ul>
Geographic region health statistics with citation(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Is the geographic priority population stated?</li> <li>· Are statistics provided that illustrate the region/county/city-wide severity/significance of the health topic?</li> </ul>	Organizational flow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Does the draft follow the inverted triangle format (general to specific)?</li> <li>· Does the draft include introductory and summary sentences?</li> </ul>
Demographic subgroup health statistics with citation(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Is the demographic priority population stated?</li> <li>· Are statistics provided that illustrate the severity/significance of the health topic for subgroups (age, race, sex)?</li> </ul>	Overall, writing quality <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Is the draft clearly written?</li> <li>· Is the draft free of personal pronouns (I, We, Us, Our)?</li> <li>· Is the draft free of long, direct quotes (have students paraphrased outside information)?</li> <li>· Has the draft been proofread (free of spelling and grammatical errors)?</li> </ul>
Consequences of the health problem with citation(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Are various types of consequences (health, social, economic) stated?</li> <li>· Are various types of consequences (health, social, economic) explained?</li> </ul>	Accuracy of in-text citation formatting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Do the in-text citations follow APA 7 guidelines?</li> </ul> Accuracy of reference list formatting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Does the reference list follow APA 7 guidelines?</li> </ul>

# Sample Student Paper

## Example “A” Student Rationale

Please note, **bolded** comments correspond with the categories assessed in the Rationale Rubric.

For decades, obesity has been a significant health concern in the United States. According to Flegal et al. (2016), 37.7% of American adults are obese. In Fairfax County, Virginia, 21.8% of adults over age 20 were obese in 2013 (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC], 2013). While this number is lower than the national average, the obesity rate in Fairfax County has been rising over recent years; in 2011, only 19.5% of adults were obese (CDC, 2013). According to previous community assessments, such as the Fairfax Community Health Improvement Plan, obesity is a prominent health problem in the area. A survey administered by Inova Fairfax Hospital from November 2015 to January 2016 identified that obesity is among the top three issues related to the community’s health; approximately 24% of participants stated that obesity was a priority concern in the area (Verité Healthcare Consulting, 2016). This survey also revealed that 45.5% of respondents have been told by a health care professional that

**Comment [d1]:** See here the introductory sentence frames obesity as a health concern (makes it clear that is the focus of the proposed program plan)

**Comment [d2]:** Notice here the writer provided national statistics to illustrate the severity/significance of obesity

Notice how the writer followed **inverted triangle structure**  
They started broad (national level, US) than transitioned to more specific geographic region (state then county level, VA and Fairfax)

**Comment [d3]:** Pay attention to how the writer described the **prevalence of the health problem in the specific community/geographic region** selected (Fairfax County, VA)

See how the writer provided justification for targeting Fairfax County, VA (rates are on the rise)

**Comment [d4]:** Notice here the writer described the **prevalence of the health problem in the specific community/geographic region** selected (identified as an area of concern)

# Questions?

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