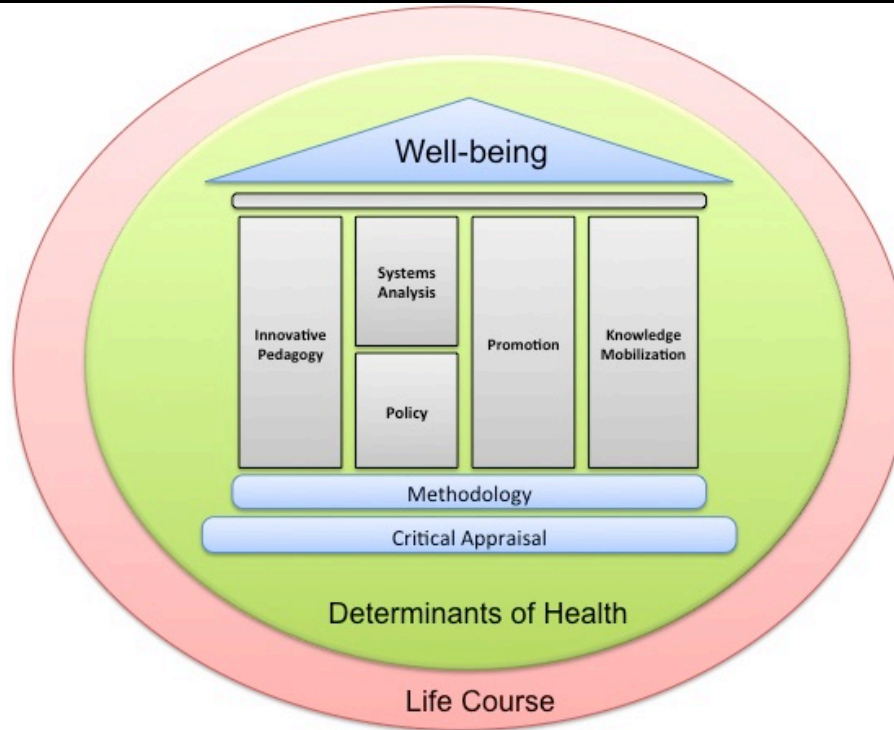


School of Health Studies – Strategic Foci

Vision: To be a global leader in interdisciplinary research and education in health and health care.

It is our goal to optimize **well-being** of person through our intense investigation of health systems and policy with an aim to mobilize knowledge across health care in an effort to promote better health for all. We prioritize the education of future leaders in health and health care through novel learning experiences that encourage disruptive and innovative solutions to emerging health issues.

Our scholarship uses modern, qualitative and quantitative **methodological** approaches with a focus on **critical approaches** to investigate health issues and inequalities.



We emphasize equally, the significance of personal and social **determinants of health**, embracing the complexity of specific impacts on access to and use of health care and the individual's health experience.

We investigate health and health care issues with an appreciation to the entire **life course** from early childhood through ageing and into the final stages of life.

Innovative Pedagogy *Development of inclusive, engaged learning for diverse learners with the responsibility to prepare future-ready citizens of the knowledge society who are creative, manage and analyze health information, and work with knowledge to promote improved health.*

Systems Analysis and Policy *Analyzing current health system issues to develop actionable change processes that integrate individual, organizational and societal elements for lasting change. This is done in the context of critical health policy issues across health care sectors, human resources and consumer participation in health care.*

Promotion *Enabling people to increase control over, and to improve, their health. Health is a multidimensional concept that can be viewed from multiple perspectives. The process of enabling, and what is seen as enabling, is shaped by the paradigm and construct of health used in research and/or practice.*

Knowledge Mobilization *The reciprocal and complementary flow and uptake of research knowledge between researchers, knowledge brokers and knowledge users to make connections between research/expertise and policy/practice in order to improve outcomes in health organizations or sectors through effective (co-) creation, sharing, leveraging and application of knowledge.*

Mission: We will nurture the creativity, curiosity and critical thinking of tomorrow's global leaders, through transformative interdisciplinary research, education and knowledge mobilization.