The purpose of this institute is to define the nature of political leadership and specific policies, which have implications for health disparities in developed, and developing nations. Using the expertise of philosopher-scientists and epidemiologists, features of democracy and welfare political systems will be characterized. A balanced overview of health policies that has resounding outcomes on health disparities will be compared and contrasted. Technologically driven means of production in many developed capitalist societies continue to democratize the availability of social services and amenities that are taken for granted in the economically developed nations. On the other hand, interruptions of many social services and extent and obsolete resource-converting techniques have weakened public health infrastructure and the delivery of health care services in many developing nations. The research team will characterize the health profile of political leadership cohorts, middle-income group and lower class by employing vital statistics to illustrate specific inequalities.

The over-arching objective of this institute is to design unique and culturally competent strategies to eliminate health disparities worldwide. Project participants will be encouraged, in their group sessions to identify technologically appropriate education to correct the existing imbalance in health status among the affluent and impoverished individuals in societies; design pilot programs aimed at correcting health disparities in developed and developing nations and most relevant, construct logic models for implementing programs to alleviate poverty, health disparities and finally, evaluate the short-term and long-term implications of eliminating health disparities worldwide.