Academic Partnership for Practicum Success

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Stony Brook’s Program in Public Health Practicum

• Provides “hands on” supervised experience in the field of public health – 135 or 100 hours depending on student’s concentration (Health Analytics, Community Health, Health Policy and Management, or Generalist)

• Designed to allow student to apply academic knowledge and acquired skills while developing specific public health projects

• Conducted in partnership with an agency or organization that provides a public health service

• Meets Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) requirements
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• Students bring diverse expertise to their projects
  – Many are pursuing dual degrees: MD/MPH, DDS/MPH, MSW/MPH, MBA/MPH, MPH/MAPP, and MPH/MS in Nutrition

• A supervisory team is assembled for each practicum consisting of the following advisors:
  – Practicum Advisor (Core PPH faculty)
  – Preceptor (works in practicum organization)
  – Practicum Coordinator (Prof. Bayley with assistance of Pascale Fils-Aime)
Preceptor Expectations

The Preceptor should be a skilled practitioner willing to serve as the student's mentor and guide. The Preceptor will:

– Provide guidance on development of practicum proposal.

– Provide a supervised unpaid practical experience within which the student will provide up to 135 hours with set goals and objectives.

– Orient the student to the organization policies and procedures relevant to his or her work with the organization.

– Spend time with the student, providing periodic and timely feedback and guidance.

– Evaluate student’s performance.
Preceptor Benefits

You and your organization can benefit from the skills, knowledge, and competencies of Stony Brook’s MPH students during their unpaid training in a practice setting to assist with a practical need such as:

- grant writing
- program planning
- program evaluation
- policy analysis
- needs assessment
- database design and management
- data analysis using statistical methods
- final reports for dissemination to internal/external decision-makers
- educational materials development
- social media outreach

Students must provide their preceptor with two agreed upon deliverables that meet the needs of the organization.
Interested?

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