Opportunities for Public Health Majors

Summer Research/Study Opportunities

**Barbara Jordan Health Policy Scholars Program**
http://bjordanscholars.kff.org/

Specific Majors / Candidate Profile: Individuals interested in health care policy

The Barbara Jordan Health Policy Scholars Program is an 11-week program that brings rising college seniors and recent college graduates to Washington, D.C., where they are placed in congressional offices and learn about health policy issues, with a focus on issues affecting racial and ethnic minority and underserved communities. Through the program, Scholars gain knowledge about federal legislative procedure and health policy issues, while further developing their critical thinking and leadership skills. The Barbara Jordan Health Policy Scholars Program has four main components: 1) orientation, 2) the congressional placement, 3) site visits, and 4) the writing sessions and presentation. For many Scholars, one of the most rewarding parts of the program is getting to know their fellow classmates. In addition to the knowledge and exposure the Scholars obtain through their congressional experience and through the site visits, Scholars receive approximately $7,500 in support. This includes: A stipend upon successful completion of the program; a daily expense allowance for meals and local transportation; transportation to and from Washington, D.C.; and lodging for the summer at Howard University in Washington, D.C.

Deadline: December 14, 2012 Updated to January 2013 – see website

**Collegiate Leaders in Environmental Health**
http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/cleh/overview.htm

This is a 10-week summer environmental internship for undergraduate students who are passionate about the environment, interested in human health, and curious about how they are linked. Interns will be placed in environmental health programs at the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) National Center for Environmental Health (/nceh) and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov) (/nceh/ATSDR) at CDC's Chamblee Campus (/nceh/cleh/faq.htm#chamblee). Please note, the CDC has multiple locations in Atlanta and CLEH interns will be reporting to CDC’s Chamblee campus and not CDC’s Roybal campus (the main CDC campus). Over the course of the summer, interns will be exposed to a broad overview of environmental public health issues at the federal level. Interns will participate in environmental health projects, interact with federal officials and scientists, and visit important environmental health sites in and around Atlanta. Other activities include "brown-bag" lunches with CDC staff, as well as attending lectures from prominent environmental health leaders in the Atlanta area. In addition, interns will be able to attend the many seminars offered by CDC during the summer.

A stipend of approximately $600 per week will be provided for living expenses. Travel to Atlanta will be the intern’s responsibility. Potential housing options will be provided on the housing page (/nceh/cleh/housing_transportation.htm); however interns will be expected to make their own arrangements.

The application period for the 2013 Collegiate Leaders in Environmental Health internship will open in mid-November.

**Note:** Seniors graduating in Spring 2013 will not be accepted to this program.
**Diversity Summer Internship Program for Undergraduates**  
(Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health)  
[http://www.jhsph.edu/student_affairs/diversity](http://www.jhsph.edu/student_affairs/diversity)

**Field(s):** Public Health and related fields

**Specific Majors / Candidate Profile:** Students from diverse backgrounds, including underrepresented minority students and students from economically disadvantaged and underserved backgrounds

**Description:** The goal of the Diversity Summer Internship Program (DSIP) is to provide experience in research settings to students from diverse backgrounds, including underrepresented minority students and students from economically disadvantaged and underserved backgrounds, in order to encourage the students to consider careers in science, medicine and public health. The undergraduate students spend 10 weeks working with mentors on projects ranging from examining maternal-fetal calcium homeostasis to characterizing trauma patients and hospitals to surveying community-based organizations in Baltimore, MD. Native American scholars accepted into the DSIP program will be given the opportunity to work on Center-affiliated research projects.

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2013

**Future Public Health Leaders Program (FPHLP)**  
University of Michigan  
[http://fphlp.sph.umich.edu/](http://fphlp.sph.umich.edu/)

**Specific Majors / Candidate Profile:** Individuals interested in health care policy

The University of Michigan Future Public Health Leaders Program (FPHLP) is a 10-week summer program at the University of Michigan School of Public Health (UM-SPH) whose goal is to increase the diversity of the public health workforce. Participants receive leadership training, orientation to the public health disciplines, and real world work experience. The program is designed to foster knowledge of, excitement about, and commitment to the elimination of health inequalities.

The FPHLP is a CDC funded program, designed to encourage underrepresented college students to consider careers in public health. The program is a 10-week residential summer program that begins in late May and runs through early August 2013.

**Eligibility:**

- Students who have completed at least two years of college at the beginning of the program.
- Recent college graduates (by April 2013) who have not been accepted in a graduate program (including medical school).
- African American, American Indian/Alaskan Native, Asian American, Hispanic/Latino, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, people with disabilities, and economically-disadvantaged individuals are strongly encouraged to apply.

**Deadline:** Online application available in December
Globalization and Community Health: Combining Social Science and Engineering
http://anthropology.usf.edu/REUanthroengine/

This NSF funded program offers undergraduate students a unique cross cultural field experience focusing on intensive interdisciplinary methodology, ethics training and mentorship. Students will gain practical experience while conducting community-based health research that brings together the social sciences with civil and environmental engineering (CEE). The program is a 10 week course conducted in Monteverde, Costa Rica and consists of six weeks of interdisciplinary methods training and four weeks of intensive research on health-related issues. Students' cultural experience will be enriched by staying with local host family's during the program.

The program is open to upper-level undergraduates in fields such as anthropology, civil and environmental engineering, and public health. Spanish proficiency is required.

Students can opt. to enroll in six academic credits (tuition not covered by grant)

Deadline to apply is Feb 25, 2013

Health Management & Policy Summer Enrichment Program
University of Michigan
Link: http://www.sph.umich.edu/sep/index.html

Each student in the Summer Enrichment Program is assigned to an 8-week, pre-professional internship in a health care or public health organization in Southeast Michigan (including Flint, Michigan). The student is assigned to a "preceptor" in the organization, who is then responsible for assigning projects to the student, helping to train the student, and supervising the student's activities. Students conduct projects during the internship and are also exposed to a variety of people and activities in the organization.

The program is designed to help undergraduate students identify health care administration as a sound career choice by familiarizing them with the field through a structured summer work experience in a health care setting.

All students are provided a tax-free stipend of $3000 for the 8-week program. The stipend is paid in three parts: one at the beginning of the program, another three weeks later, and the final payment is made just prior to the end of the summer.

Deadline: February 8, 2013

Maternal Child Health Careers/Research Initiatives for Student Enhancement - Undergraduate Program (MCHC/RISE-UP)
http://www.kennedykrieger.org/professional-training/professional-training-programs/rise-programs/mchc-rise-up

The Maternal and Child Health Careers/Research Initiatives for Student Enhancement (MCHC/RISE-UP) Program provides opportunities for enhanced public health and related training to eliminate health disparities and promote health equity. This program's ultimate goal is to promote a more diversified and equal health system by introducing highly qualified undergraduate students (junior sand, seniors with a GPA 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale; and students who received their baccalaureate degree within 12
months of MCHC/RISE-UP program orientation) from underrepresented groups to the field of public health. All students interested in addressing health disparities are encouraged to apply.

A $3,500 stipend is provided to all program participants. Housing and round-trip travel for out-of-state students are also available. All program activities are contingent on CDC funding.

**Deadline:** Thursday, February 14, 2013.

**National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REUs)**
http://www.nsf.gov/crssprgm/reu/

Description: Various paid summer research opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) disciplines - for a searchable list of the summer opportunities consult the website

Deadline: Varies

**Occupational Health Internship Program**
http://www.aoec.org/ohip/about-ohip/

OHIP is a full time, paid summer internship designed to link the skills and interests of students with the needs of workers employed in an under-served or high hazard job. Teams of two interns are assigned to a particular local union or worker organization where they receive supervision from a designated staff member and an academic mentor (Site Coordinator) at one of the OHIP training centers.

Students are matched with projects based on specific language or technical skills, as well as their experience or interest in working with social justice organizations or unions. Typically a graduate student in medicine, nursing, public health (health education, environmental and occupational health) or a related field is paired with an undergraduate student. Most teams include students from different disciplines.

Each team project is designed to maximize contact between workers and interns to learn about the hazards and other realities of work. As part of the process of researching hazards, interns interview workers, conduct focus groups, attend union/worker organization meetings or other activities and observe workers on the job. As a result, students gain an understanding of the complexity of the work environment and learn about the importance of health and safety in relation to work.

Ultimately teams identify and document health and safety problems and recommend ways to reduce or eliminate hazards. In return, interns provide workers and unions/worker organizations with concrete information about hazards or health and safety concerns that they can use to build and strengthen their efforts to prevent job injury and illness.

Graduate and undergraduate students can apply; some stipends are restricted to US citizens. Non-US citizens must supply documentation of permission to work in the US. Undergraduates must have completed two years, preferably in a field related to public health, environmental studies or public policy. Graduate students in public health, medicine, nursing or a related field are encouraged to apply.

OHIP seeks students with experience or interest in working with unions or social justice organizations, are organized and self-starting, have good team skills and ideally speak a second language of new
immigrant workers: Spanish, Mandarin, Korean, Vietnamese, etc. We encourage students from minority and recent immigrant groups to apply.

Undergraduate students receive a $4,000 stipend and graduate students receive a $5,200 stipend.

Deadline: March 18, 2013

Summer Public Health Scholars Program (SPHSP)

The Summer Public Health Scholars Program (SPHSP) is designed for undergraduate students to increase interest in and knowledge of public health and biomedical science careers. A partnership between Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University College of Dental Medicine, Columbia University School of Nursing, and the Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health, the SPHS program is designed for undergraduates in their Sophomore or Junior year and recent baccalaureate degree students who are undecided about their career goals and who have a minimum GPA of 2.7. This is a rigorous program which includes Public Health course work at Columbia University; hands-on field experience and immersion in a diverse, economically disadvantaged urban environment; seminars and lectures with public health leaders; and mentoring by faculty members, ensuring students’ exposure to the breadth and importance of public health as a career option.

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

- Students who will have completed at least two years of college at the beginning of the program
- Recent college graduates (after April 2012) who have not been accepted into a graduate program
- Students with an Associate degree must provide proof of acceptance into a four-year institution
- African American, Hispanic/Latino, Asian American, American Indian/Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, people with disabilities, and economically-disadvantaged individuals are encouraged to apply.
- Minimum GPA of 2.7

Summer Undergraduate Minority Research
(University of Pennsylvania)
http://ldi.upenn.edu/sumr

Specific Majors / Candidate Profile: Individuals interested in health care research

Description: The SUMR program provides underrepresented minority undergraduate students an opportunity to explore the exciting field of health services research. Program participants will be expected to have an interest in health care and strong quantitative skills. Candidates from minority groups that are underrepresented in the field of health services research (African-American, Hispanic/Latino, Native American, Pacific Islander) are particularly encouraged to apply. Prospective participants do not have to make a commitment in advance to attend graduate school in order to be accepted into the program, but an academic or research career should be something they might consider. A committee of Penn faculty selects each year’s SUMR scholars from the highly competitive applicant pool.
What Do SUMR Scholars Do?

- Work with a Penn faculty mentor on a health services research project of the student's choice
- Gain practical advice about graduate school opportunities and assistance with the graduate school application process, including tuition assistance for the GRE
- Attend weekly lunch meetings with program staff and Penn faculty to discuss their projects and learn more about the broad range of health services research in which Penn faculty are engaged
- Present a final presentation on mentored health services research project at the SUMR Research Symposium
- Attend two health services research related academic conferences as a group, all expenses paid.
- Take part in various extracurricular activities/social functions sponsored by the SUMR program.

SUMR scholars earn a stipend of $1200 per month during the summer months for a time commitment of 20 hours per week. The students work with their mentors to devise a schedule that can be flexible to work around other employment.

Deadline: February 1, 2013

Undergraduate Scholarships

Boren Scholarship for International Study
http://www.borenawards.org/boren_scholarship
Field(s): Critical Languages

Description: The Boren Scholarship provides up to $20,000 to U.S. undergraduate students to study abroad in areas of the world that are critical to U.S. interests and underrepresented in study abroad, including Africa, Asia, Central & Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America, and the Middle East.

Deadline: Feb.

DAAD Scholarships
www.daad.org
Field(s): All fields

Description: Highly qualified undergraduate students are invited to apply for scholarships funding study, senior thesis research and/or internships in Germany. The goal of this program is to support study abroad in Germany and at German universities. Preference will be given to students whose projects or programs are based at and organized by a German university. Scholarships are available either as part of an organized study abroad program or as part of an individual, student-designed study abroad semester or year. Scholarships may be granted for a minimum of four months (one semester) and a maximum of 10 months (one academic year). Recipients will be awarded a monthly stipend of approximately € 650, plus additional funds to help defray travel and research expenses as well as health insurance.

Deadline: Varies

Gilman Scholarship for Study Abroad
www.iie.org/en/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program

Description: The Gilman Scholarship Program provides awards for U.S. undergraduate students who are
receiving Federal Pell Grant funding at a two-year or four-year college or university to participate in study abroad programs worldwide. Scholarships of up to $5,000 are for U.S. citizen undergraduates to study abroad. Award amounts will vary depending on the length of study and student need with the average award being approximately $4,000. Students who apply for and receive the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship to study abroad are then eligible to receive an additional $3,000 Critical Need Language Supplement from the Gilman Scholarship Program for a total possible award of up to $8,000.

Deadline: Fall & Summer: March 1; Spring: Oct. 4

**National Institutes of Health Undergraduate Scholarship Program**
https://www.training.nih.gov/programs/ugsp
Field(s): STEM disciplines

Specific Majors / Candidate Profile: Students from disadvantaged backgrounds interested in biomedical, behavioral or social science health-related research

Description: The NIH Undergraduate Scholarship Program provides up to $20,000/year (renewable) for students from disadvantaged backgrounds who are interested in careers in biomedical, behavioral, or social science health-related research.

Deadline: Feb. 1

**Post-Graduate Research/Study Opportunities**

**CDC/APHL Emerging Infectious Diseases Laboratory Fellowship**
http://www.aphl.org/mycareer/fellowships/eid/Pages/default.aspx
Field(s): STEM disciplines / Bio-medical Research

Description: The training fellowship is a one-year program for candidates with bachelor's or master's degrees. The fellowship program offers a wide variety of training and research experiences. Examples of projects include research in molecular genetics, pathogenesis, epidemiology and cell biology. Fellows may be trained in specific laboratory techniques such as real-time PCR, DNA sequencing and mass spectrometry. Fellows may receive specialized training and experience with a specific pathogen, or generalized training in influenza or STD surveillance, newborn screening or chemical and biological warfare agents. Other work may include diagnostic virology, bioanalytical chemistry, foodborne disease research including Pulsed Field Gel Electrophoresis (PFGE), clinical and environmental diagnostics and epidemiologic studies of disease outbreaks. The annual stipend (2011) is $32,722 for fellows with a bachelor's degree; $36,475 for fellows with a master's degree; and $44,890 for fellows with a postdoctoral degree. Fellows are also provided with comprehensive medical insurance, travel to the interviews, orientation, and host laboratory and a professional development allowance.

Deadline: Feb. 8, 2013

**The HSHPS Graduate Fellowship Training Program**
http://www.hshps.org/students/hshps-training-programs

Graduate Fellowship Training Program Overview
The HSHPS Graduate Fellowship Training Program provides paid training opportunities for graduate and doctoral students and recent graduates interested in working on Hispanic health research.

Fellows are placed throughout the United States and Latin America within government agencies and academic institutions. All HSHPS fellows work alongside a mentor, an experienced researcher or senior staff member; assist with a research project as it relates to minority health issues; and participate in a series of professional development seminars.

**Eligibility**

Though programs are geared towards graduate or recent graduate students, we encourage fourth year undergraduate students to apply as well. Please note that programs are for individuals who would like to gain research experience and are committed to improving the health of Hispanics.

- U.S. citizen or permanent resident (no visas)
- English working proficiency (written and oral)
- Spanish fluency varies depending on program
- Current or recent graduate (less than three years) of a master’s or doctoral program in the health field; some programs permit third or fourth year undergraduate students
- Individuals with five or more years of professional experience in the health field are not eligible to apply for this program

*Applicant does not have to be Hispanic to apply.*

**Deadline:** Application deadline will be end of February 2013 for the summer 2013

**NIH Bioethics Fellowship**  

Field(s): Primarily medicine, law, public health, health policy, and sociology

Description: Pre-doc applicants should have an undergraduate degree and should be planning postgraduate work. Post-doc applicants should have a PhD, MD, JD, or other advanced degree in a relevant field. Fellows are selected on the basis of their previous academic achievements, commitment to scholarship, and the contribution they are likely to make in the field of bioethics. No bioethics experience is required or expected.

**Deadline:** Jan. 15
Post-Graduate Scholarships

DAAD Scholarships
www.daad.org
Field(s): All fields

Description: Study Scholarships provide highly qualified individuals with an opportunity to do independent study in Germany or to complete a full Master's degree program at a German university.

Sample Master’s Programs:

- Joint European Master's Degree in International Humanitarian Action (NOHA)
- Master of Public Health (MPH) • Hamburg University of Applied Sciences
- Health and Society: Gender and Diversity Studies • Charité - University Medicine Berlin
- Master of Science in International Health • Charité - University Medicine Berlin

Recipients will be awarded a monthly stipend of approximately €750, plus additional funds to help defray travel and research expenses as well as health insurance.

Mabelle Arole International Fellowship
www.amsa.org/AMSA/Homepage/MemberCenter/PreMeds/mabellearole.aspx

Specific Majors / Candidate Profile: Senior Pre-meds

Description: The Mabelle Arole Fellowship provides support for a graduating pre-med student who has been accepted into medical school and willing to defer admission for one year in order to experience community-based primary health care while living, working, and learning in Jamkhed, India, for one year. During that time, s/he will have experience in the hospital (in-patient and out-patient and in the field) and work on a project, depending on current CRHP activities and needs and your interest. The year begins with a 2-month course on community-based primary health care, with about 20 participants from India and other countries, most of whom are working in health and development programs. The fellow will be paid a stipend of $8000 in quarterly payments. This covers housing, living expenses, and travel, including airfare to and from India. In order to adapt to living at CRHP, you should be flexible, open, able to adapt appropriately to other cultures (including food), and interested in learning from others, especially village people.

Deadline: Jan. 18

Tylenol Future Care Scholarship

Specific Majors / Candidate Profile: Medicine, Nursing, Physical Therapy, Physician Assistant, Public Health, Occupational Therapy

Description: The TYLENOL Future Care Scholars Programs makes ten $10,000 and thirty $5,000 awards to students pursuing an education in healthcare.

Deadline: Spring 2013
Villers Fellowship for Health Care Justice
www.familiesusa.org/fellowships/the-villers-fellowship.html

Specific Majors / Candidate Profile: Individuals with a commitment to social and health care justice advocacy following their year of hands-on experience as a fellow

Description: The Villers Fellow works as a full-time policy analyst in Families USA's Health Policy Department. The Fellowship is based in the Families USA office in Washington, D.C. and is designed to provide the Fellow with a national perspective on health care justice work and the opportunity to learn about a range of health care justice issues. The Fellow's principal responsibilities include conducting primary and secondary research on a range of health care issues and health reform topics—such as Medicaid, Medicare, the state Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and the private insurance market—as well as writing and contributing to publications that are relevant to current health reform issues. Fellows will receive a compensatory package that includes an annual salary of approximately $38,000 and excellent health care benefits. One Villers Fellow is selected each year. Deadline: Jan. 14