



Health Promotion Prevention Division Internship Job Description

Job description:

- 1.) Student will assist with the coordination of strategies aimed to increase health promotion education and policies for the prevention of poor health outcomes in relation to physical, mental and social health.
- 2.) Student will participate in program activities: health fairs and special events.
- 3.) Student will assist with the coordination and evaluation of health education training and presentations.
- 4.) Assist with community research and compile information.
- 5.) With the guidance of the Health Promotion Supervisor and Senior Health Promotion Specialist, the student intern will demonstrate the ability to determine projects that he/she will see from beginning to end during the semester. The student will take a lead or co-lead role on assigned projects.
- 6.) Student will have the opportunity to attend meeting and trainings for health education, policy development and activities throughout the community.
- 7.) Student will have the opportunity to participate in the Missoula City-County Health Department's computer system. The student will learn communication protocol.
- 8.) When scheduling permits student will be included in state and national webinars.

Qualifications:

- This position is best suited for student in academic majors: Community and Public Health, Health Science/Education, Social Ecology, Public Relations, Communication or related fields.
- Excellent oral and written communications skills and a team player
- Exceptional interpersonal skills and basic computer knowledge and experience
- Able to interact with diverse populations and committed to embracing a healthy active lifestyle

Hours:

Minimum 8 - 12 hours per week. Hours are primarily scheduled during regular business hours (Monday through Friday between 9 am - 5 pm). Schedules are flexible and can be arranged to accommodate school/work/family schedules. Interns who are able to schedule the maximum hours listed for this internship generally gain a more in-depth experience.

Specific Project Description

Position: Missoula Invest Health

Host Organization: Missoula City-County Health Department

When: Spring and Summer semesters 2019

Time Commitment: Average of 8 hours per week. Schedule is flexible.

Background Information:

In 2016, Missoula was one of 50 small to mid-sized cities selected by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Reinvestment Fund to participate in Invest Health, a groundbreaking initiative to leverage public and private funding and policies, and transform the way local leaders work together to improve health outcomes in neighborhoods facing the biggest barriers to better health. In Missoula, our initial team comprised St. Pat's (Karen Myers); the city (Laval Means from the Planning Dep't.); NeighborWorks Montana (Kaia Peterson); and United Way (Susan Hay Patrick); with leadership provided by Lisa Beczkiewicz from the health department.

We have focused on obesity and mental health in our three poorest neighborhoods, and have also been working diligently to engage residents, so that we hear in their voices about neighborhood challenges and solutions, in obesity and mental health, and in other areas. You can read more about our work and accomplishments (including -- when "sidewalks" were identified as a priority in all three neighborhoods -- securing almost \$1 million in new-sidewalk funding) at

<https://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/2036/Missoula-Invest-Health>

Position Description:

- Assist Missoula Invest Health leader, Lisa Beczkiewicz
 - Update the Community Health Map. Learn about Policy Map and how to use a Geographic Information System to coordinate health and infrastructure data. Assess data and do a cross analysis to look at health disparities in our community.
 - Coordinate with Missoula Invest Health team members and steering committee to provide educational outreach materials with health and housing, health and transportation, health and recreation, health and urban forestry.
 - Work with Invest Health team to analyze neighborhood resident interviews and assist in prioritization of small medium and large infrastructure, policy, system or strategies that will help foster community neighborhood connections.
 - As needed, conduct research of peer reviewed articles in relation to health disparities.
- This position is supervised by Lisa Beczkiewicz at the Missoula City-County Health Department. If you are interested in applying for this position contact Lisa at 258-3389 or lbeczkiewicz@missoulacounty.us