Region IV Public Health Training Center’s
Pathways to Practice Scholars
Summer Field Placement Program

APPLY NOW

See full posting below. Interested students should apply as soon as possible. Applications are reviewed and considered in the order they are received.

What is the Pathways to Practice Scholar Field Placement Program?
The Pathways to Practice Scholars program allows current public health students to gain practical experience while mentored by seasoned practitioners serving or working on behalf of underserved communities or populations.

Funded through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), the Region IV Public Health Training Center (R-IV PHTC) Student Scholar positions will be located in the eight R-IV states, including North Carolina.

Is there a financial award and housing information?
Scholars selected by field placement agencies will receive a Pathways to Practice Scholar Award total of $3500. Please refer to the specific job postings for more information.

For more information, contact:
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Center for Healthy Communities & N.C. Public Health Training Center
College of Health and Human Services – University of North Carolina Wilmington
AGENCY: Onslow County Health Department  
POSITION TITLE: NC - Onslow County Intern  
LOCATION: 612 College ST, Jacksonville, NC 28540  
AGENCY WEBSITE: https://www.onslowcountync.gov/149/Health  

NUMBER OF POSITIONS AVAILABLE: 1  
DESIRED START DATES: Summer – May 2019  
(Deadline extended: April 1, 2019)

DESCRIPTION: The following position is offered as a field placement through the Region IV Public Health Training Center (http://www.sph.emory.edu/r4phtc).

It is the mission and purpose of the Onslow County Health Department, Consolidated Human Services, to deliver supportive social, economic, protective, and health services that build better lives for individuals and families. Services: child health, immunizations, family planning, maternal health, communicable disease control, medical nutrition therapy, WIC, health education, Care Coordination for Children, Pregnancy Care Management, environmental health services.

POSITION DESCRIPTION: The student will be involved in working on our community action plans based on the results of our latest community health needs assessment.

THE STUDENT WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN:
1) Suicide: coordinate training for community members; assist with support group. process
2) Blood Pressure/Diabetes: provide education at community events.
3) Substance Abuse: disseminate flyer with drop box locations; develop media information
4) Obesity: plan healthy options menu for Parks & Rec event; research current sidewalk ordinances and propose advocacy points for increasing sidewalks in the community.
5) Nutrition: Recruit community partners to host nutrition bulletin boards, create and disseminate a healthy donations food list; plan a cooking class.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMPETENCIES/SKILLS STUDENT MAY STRENGTHEN DURING PLACEMENT:
1) Policy Development/Engagement
2) Program Planning
3) Analytic/Assessment
4) Public Health Science
5) Communication
6) Leadership and Systems Thinking

TRAVEL: Student may travel to attend community outreach events in Onslow County

POSITION TYPE: Region IV Public Health Training Center Field Placements (for undergraduate public health students in North Carolina)

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY:  
Candidates must be undergraduate public health students from accredited schools and programs of public health located in North Carolina. Students must be juniors or seniors to be eligible for this position. Your cover letter should
include the agency name, desired start month, and citizenship or visa status. The agency will need to verify candidates’ immunization status. Please include your resume and unofficial transcript when you apply. Optional to include a writing sample and/or samples of brochures and/or flyers created by the candidate. Students graduating in August 2019 can still apply, but must complete the program prior to graduation. Past recipients of the Pathways to Practice Award are not eligible to apply again.

**WORK AUTHORIZATION:** U.S. Citizen, Permanent U.S. Resident
Citizenship statement: The Region IV Public Health Training Center is a federally-funded program which has a citizenship requirement. To be eligible to apply for this position, you must be either a U.S. citizen, a non-citizen U.S. national, or a foreign national having in your possession a visa permitting permanent residence in the U.S.

**AWARD LEVEL:** $3500 AWARD
* NOTE: TRAVEL COSTS WILL NOT BE COVERED BY THE PROGRAM BEYOND THE TOTAL $3500 AWARD.

**DURATION:** Approximately 10 weeks

**APPROXIMATE HOURS PER WEEK:** Est. 20+ hours per week. Total hours are flexible to meet student internship requirements.

*Students may be limited in the minimum or maximum number of hours they can work per semester based on their university, school or degree’s policies. If this work will be also be used as a graduation requirement, the student should verify those requirements and abide by their university policies.*

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** Please read the “Student Scholar Field Placement Guidebook” for more details about the Pathways to Practice Scholars Program and requirements. It is located on the Field Placements page of the Region IV PHTC website: [http://www.sph.emory.edu/r4phtc](http://www.sph.emory.edu/r4phtc).

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** Please submit the required documents (writing sample, sample brochure/flyer, resume, and cover letter indicating the agency name and citizenship/visa status) to:

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