



## Region IV Public Health Training Center

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### **Region IV Public Health Training Center Pathways to Practice Scholar Field Placement Program Georgia – Summer Scholar Position**

**AGENCY:** Southwest Georgia Area Health Education Center (SOWEGA-AHEC)

**POSITION TITLE:** SOWEGA-AHEC Intern

**LOCATION:** 1512 W 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Albany, GA 31707

**AGENCY WEBSITE:** [www.sowega-ahec.org](http://www.sowega-ahec.org)

**NUMBER OF POSITIONS AVAILABLE:** 1

**DESIRED START DATES:** SUMMER – May 26, 2020

\* Interested students should apply as soon as possible. Applications are reviewed and considered in the order they are received. Submit to Michelle Carvalho at [MLCARVA@emory.edu](mailto:MLCARVA@emory.edu).

Note: To apply to more than one posting, submit separate applications specifying the position title in the subject line.

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

The Southwest Georgia Area Health Education Center (SOWEGA-AHEC) is a community-driven 501c3 not-for-profit whose goal is to improve access to healthcare by improving the number and distribution of healthcare providers in 38 counties in southwest Georgia. SOWEGAAHEC's mission is accomplished through services that connect students to health careers, health professionals to communities, and communities to better health.

**POSITION DESCRIPTION:** The summer intern will work primarily on two projects: Ellenton Farmworker Project & 2020 Pathway to Med School Program. The Ellenton Farmworker Project is an interdisciplinary two-week program in which healthcare students (including nursing, nurse practitioner, physical therapy, and dental hygienist students) offer free health services to migrant farmworkers and their families. The Pathway to Med School Program is a four-week structured residential program to strengthen pre-med rural students as medical school applicants. During the program, students complete community-based research and clinical shadowing

THE STUDENT WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO:

#### **Ellenton Farmworker Project**

1. Attend planning meetings with Ellenton Clinic staff
2. Assist with coordination of the workflow during the project
3. Assist with preparation of patient files, donations, and supplies prior to the start of project
4. Compile State deliverable report for Colquitt County
5. Serve as photographer for SOWEGA-AHEC
6. Act as a SOWEGA-AHEC liaison during the project

7. Complete ½- 1-page personal reflection of project including lessons learned, project's areas of improvement, and professional impact of working with Ellenton Farmworker Project

### **Pathway to Med School Program**

1. Serve as Pathway Research Coordinator, assisting with data collection and student deliverables
2. Update and revise 2020 Pathway to Med School Program Research Manual
3. Create research calendar and assignment schedule for 2020 Pathway program
4. Compile scientific articles on 2020 research topics for students' prereading
5. Revise data collection instruments as needed
6. Serve as photographer for SOWEGA-AHEC
7. Complete ½- 1-page personal reflection including lessons learned, program's areas of improvement, and professional impact of working with Pathway program

### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMPETENCIES/SKILLS STUDENT MAY STRENGTHEN DURING PLACEMENT:**

- 1) Analytic/Assessment
- 2) Communication
- 3) Cultural Competency
- 4) Community Dimensions of Practice
- 5) Leadership and Systems Thinking

**HOUSING INFORMATION:** Free housing is provided.

**TRAVEL:** Student will travel to Moultrie, GA for at least two pre-planning meetings to meet with the staff of the Ellenton Migrant Clinic and during the two weeks of the Ellenton Farmworker Project.

**POSITION TYPE:** Region IV Public Health Training Center Field Placements (for MPH/MSPH students)

### **QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY:**

Candidates must be masters or doctoral level public health students. Students graduating in August 2020 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.](#)

The ideal candidate for this internship should:

- 1) Have excellent writing and analytical skills.
- 2) Have prior community/clinical research experience and clinical knowledge.
- 3) Be an MD/MPH Candidate (not necessary but a plus).
- 4) Have research process experience (data collection, interpretation, and coding).
- 5) Be able to write surveys (not necessary but a plus).

Your cover letter should include the title of the position you are applying to and citizenship or permanent resident visa status. In your resume, include the name of your degree program, department, year of study (e.g. 1<sup>st</sup> year MPH student), and expected graduation date. Please send an unofficial transcript.

**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; May-July 2020

\*Note: Ellenton Migrant Project will occur in June; Pathway to Med School will happen June-July

**APPROXIMATE HOURS PER WEEK:** Approximately 40 hours

*\*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>.

**TO APPLY:** Please submit the required documents following specifications above (unofficial transcript, resume, and cover letter indicating the agency name and citizenship/visa status) to:

Michelle Carvalho, MPH, MCHES® | Email: [MLCARVA@emory.edu](mailto:MLCARVA@emory.edu)

When e-mailing your application, please use subject line “**Applicant: GA\_SOWEGA-AHEC.**”

\*PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY