



Region IV Public Health Training Center

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Region IV Public Health Training Center
***Pathways to Practice Scholar* Field Placement Program**
Mississippi – Fall or Spring Scholar Position

AGENCY: Mississippi Public Health Institute

POSITION TITLE: Mississippi Behavioral Health Learning Network (MSBLN) Intern

LOCATION: 829 Wilson Drive, Suite C, Ridgeland, MS 39157

AGENCY WEBSITE: www.msphi.org

NUMBER OF POSITIONS AVAILABLE: 2 (1 for Fall 2020 and 1 for Spring 2021)

DESIRED START DATES: Fall 2020 – Sep 8, 2020; Spring 2021 – Jan 2021

* Interested students should apply as soon as possible. Applications are reviewed and considered in the order they are received. Submit to Deanna Zhong at deanna.zhong@emory.edu.

Note: To apply to more than one posting, submit separate applications specifying the position title in the subject line. Please be specific in your email *and* cover letter if you are interested in applying for “Fall 2020, Spring 2021, or Either Semester.”

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

NOTE: The position duties may be conducted remotely with the possibility of hybrid in-person work late fall/spring, as safety allows.

The Mississippi Public Health Institute (MSPHI) mission is to engage in partnerships and activities that improve the health of Mississippians. We work across four primary domains: Public and Behavioral Health; Maternal Child Health; Chronic Disease and Community Health. The services MSPHI provides are project management, evaluation, training and technical assistance, convening, technological services and fiscal intermediary.

POSITION DESCRIPTION: The MS Behavioral Health Learning Network (MSBLN) is a program of the MS Public Health Institute that provides workforce development training for professionals in the substance use disorder treatment and prevention fields. The student will be working closely with the MSPHI workforce development staff to research and develop course content, contact speakers, assist in develop a training catalog, evaluate trainings and assist in generating solutions for reaching professionals in this COVID-19 environment.

THE STUDENT WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO:

1. Assist in developing training content for the Behavioral Health Learning Network webinars.
2. Assist in researching training topics for Behavioral Health Learning Network and assist in developing the training catalog.
3. Assist in identifying speakers and securing content descriptions.
4. Participate in behavioral health webinars to learn more about the field and evaluate the training content.

5. Assist in applying for CEs.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMPETENCIES/SKILLS STUDENT MAY STRENGTHEN DURING PLACEMENT:

1. Program Planning
2. Public Health Science
3. Communication
4. Cultural Competency
5. Leadership and Systems Thinking
6. Problem Solving

TRAVEL: No travel is required for this position.

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

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY:

Preference may be given to masters or doctoral level public health graduate students. However, social work, sociology, and psychology graduate students are also eligible to apply. Students must complete the program prior to graduation. [Past recipients of the Pathways to Practice Award are not eligible to apply again.](#)

Your cover letter should include the semesters you are applying for (FA20, SP21, or either), 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. 1st year MPH student), and expected graduation date. Please also send a writing sample and your 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.

APPROXIMATE HOURS PER WEEK & DURATION: Approximately 20 hours a week for 10 weeks.

**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, writing sample, resume, and cover letter indicating the agency name and citizenship/visa status) to Deanna Zhong at deanna.zhong@emory.edu with the subject line **"Fall 2020 Applicant: MS – Mississippi Public Health Institute"** or **"Spring 2021 Applicant: MS – Mississippi Public Health Institute"** or **"Either Semester Applicant: MS – Mississippi Public Health Institute"**.

*PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY