



## Region IV Public Health Training Center

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

**AGENCY:** Emory Urban Health Initiative

**POSITION TITLE:** Emory Urban Health Initiative Intern

**LOCATION:** 49 Jesse Hill Jr Dr, Atlanta, GA 30033

**AGENCY WEBSITES:** <https://urbanhealthinitiative.emory.edu/>

**NUMBER OF POSITIONS AVAILABLE:** 1 (Fall 2023)

**DESIRED START DATES:** September 2023

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

#### **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.*

**Vision Statement:** Communities working together to eliminate health disparities and social determinants of health inequity.

**Mission Statement:** To provide health disparities education and advocacy, build collaborative partnerships and develop best practice models with low-resourced communities and those who work with them to advance equity in health and well-being.

#### **Emory Urban Health Initiative (UHI) Values:**

- **Leadership:** We listen and learn from our community. We approach the systemic causes of community problems and mobilize resources for the common good.
- **Equity:** We endeavor for health equity, and focus primarily, but not exclusively, on vulnerable populations in the Metro Atlanta area.
- **Inclusiveness:** We practice and champion inclusiveness in the community at large. We honor diverse strengths, needs, voices, and backgrounds of all members of the UHI and partnering communities.
- **Accountability:** We serve as stewards for our community investments and honor the charitable intentions of donors to meet current and future research-based community-led needs. We are duty-bound to the highest standards of ethics, integrity, service, and fiduciary responsibility.

UHI follows Emory's Place-Based Strategy for Community Engagement within Emory's Strategic Plan 2005-2015. This approach focuses in 5 priority areas (NPU-V/Pittsburgh Mechanicsville, East Lake, Edgewood, Northwest Atlanta, and Clarkston) and additional focal areas in the Atlanta community where Emory seeks to concentrate its impact.

#### **POSITION DESCRIPTION:**

Because carbon production contributing to climate change results in natural disasters and air pollution affecting the health of vulnerable communities, the Urban Health Initiative's commitment to sustainability practices that reduce the carbon footprint at Emory will have a downstream effect on addressing the health disparities caused by climate change. The student will be working to address sustainability on the campus of Emory University and Emory Healthcare, particularly as it relates to maintaining the Green Office Certification, and engaging in efforts to achieve Silver Award status.

Under the guidance of a supervisor and faculty advisor, the student will serve to research and implement next steps in Silver level attainment, and will act as a liaison for outreach and collaboration to achieve these objectives.

The student will review the application for Silver Award attainment, and identify the next steps of implementation to achieve that Award. Student will interface with stakeholders and host meetings to ensure these steps are implemented. Student will then submit the application for Silver Award attainment to demonstrate that these steps have been implemented.

Student should immerse themselves in the literature, which addresses the impact of health systems on the carbon sector, and how this adversely affects the health of minority communities.

#### **REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Proficient in public speaking/communication
- Experience creating one-pager graphics/advertisements
- Student must be bold and comfortable with introducing the mission of [Emory Urban Health Initiative](#) and the [Green Office](#) concept and interest in addressing sustainability within the health system and university.
- Student must be proficient and comfortable with professional outreach and introductions, as well as following up in setting virtual zoom meetings and creating calendar invites to further meet with and discuss collaborative ideas with potential stakeholders and team members.
- Should also be proficient in creating doodle polls, coordinating calendars, creating electronic surveys, creating shared documents, etc.
- Must have excellent organizational skills, including methods for curating emails and documents, so they can be searched and found at later dates.

#### **THE STUDENT WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASSIST WITH THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:**

1. Student will review the application for Silver Award attainment, and identify the next steps of implementation to achieve that Award.
2. Under the direction and guidance of the supervisor and faculty advisor, student will create agendas and host meetings with stakeholders as it relates to next-steps for achieving Green Office Silver Certification. From these meetings, student will then communicate next steps to our

division faculty in the form of one-pager graphics, emails, and/or division lunches hosted via zoom.

3. Student will keep notes of progress and suggestions from various stakeholders, and includes lessons learned from stakeholders into a final presentation where the student synthesizes their work and journey during their time spent on this initiative, including future directions.

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

1. Community Partnership/ Engagement
2. Cross-sector Partnerships
3. Leadership and Systems Thinking/Strategic Thinking
4. Problem Solving
5. Effective Communication
6. Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion
7. Change Management

**TRAVEL:** Yes *(The student will have the option to make onsite visits as invited by potential stakeholders/collaborative partners.)*

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

**QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY:**

Students must be masters or doctoral level public health graduate students. Students must complete the program prior to graduation. [Past recipients of the Pathways to Practice Award are not eligible to apply again.](#)

- Please include a cover letter with the following:
  - The semesters you are applying for (Fall 2023)
  - The title of the position you are applying to
  - Citizenship or permanent resident visa status
- Please include a resume with the following:
  - The name and department of your degree program
  - Year of study
  - Expected graduation date

**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:** \$3,500 award

\* Note: Travel costs will not be covered by the program beyond the total \$3,500 award.

**APPROXIMATE HOURS PER WEEK & DURATION:** Approximately 10-20 hours a week for 10-20 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: <https://r4phtc.org/field-placements/>

**TO APPLY:** Please submit the required documents following specifications above (**resume, and cover letter** indicating the agency name and citizenship/visa status) to Elizabeth Kidwell, [elkidwell@emory.edu](mailto:elkidwell@emory.edu) with the subject line “**Fall 2023 Applicant: GA -Emory UHI**”

\*PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY