Durham County Department of Public Health Hub 2024

How to apply:

If you are applying to multiple positions, please do not apply until you have ALL cover letters written and ready to upload for each position.

All application materials (application form and faculty evaluation) are due Wednesday, February 14, 2024.

1. Fill-out the online application form and upload the materials below to the form:
   - Cover letter for each position you are applying (If applying to multiple positions for the four Zambia Hub opportunities, please write a cover letter for each position)
   - CV/Resume (If applying to multiple positions, only upload it once)

2. Faculty Evaluation: Please identify a UNC Gillings faculty member who is able to evaluate you on the specific skills listed in the position description(s) you are applying for. Please tell the faculty member which position(s) you are applying for.
   - If applying to multiple positions, the faculty member only needs to complete one evaluation form (they will evaluate you for all your positions on one form).
   Send the Faculty Evaluation Form link to the faculty member:
   https://unc.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8oH0qYscGw5zoI

Questions? Please email Naya Villarreal at naya@unc.edu.

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<td>Organization Address</td>
<td>414 E. Main Street, Durham NC 27701</td>
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<td>Organization Description (Brief)</td>
<td>Local health department with a mission to advance health equity, protect the environment, and promote health and wellness for all in the Durham community.</td>
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<td>Name and Title of Preceptor</td>
<td>Willa Robinson Allen</td>
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<td>Preceptor Experience and Education (Provide your professional background and describe any experience working with students). Preceptor qualification requirements include:</td>
<td>Willa Allen has a BS in Public Health Education and a MPH. She has worked full-time in the field for over 30 years in local public health, two years in non-profit. To-date, Willa has served as a preceptor for 23 undergraduate public health students and eight graduate students.</td>
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<td>- At least five years of full-time, professional public health experience; OR</td>
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<td>- A graduate degree in public health or a related field and at least two years of full-time, professional public health experience.</td>
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**Preceptor contact information** (email, phone)  
W Robinson@dconc.gov 919-560-7771 (office) or 919-323-9676 (mobile)

**Preference for contact**  
☐ Email ☐ Phone

**Ideal start date** (the earliest start date for students is May 13, 2024)  
May 13, 2024

**Ideal end date** (students must complete their hours by August 16, 2024)  
August 16, 2024

**Paid work/Compensation for work**  
☐ Yes ☐ No

**Range of funding available** (hourly or total). Please note that Gillings Global Health can provide some funding to students.  
Up to $4,000 stipend for a 300 hour practicum experience

**Opportunity to handle quantitative data**  
☐ Yes ☐ No

**Description of the Proposed Practicum**  
(Describe the work experience and/or project: context, health problem, population)  
The work is focused around long range planning (logic model), an organized plan for gun lock distribution, documentation and evaluation of overall gun safety programming. This will make it easier to identify gaps and allow emphasis in missed areas and opportunities. The work may include a literature review on best practices. Assignment includes creating a tool and follow-up with the counties trained by Durham to initiate a gun safety team. This practicum would support the Health Education team working on gun safety and further define the role of public health in gun safety, with a particular emphasis on capturing accomplishments and documenting current/new efforts around gun safety in Durham.

**Benefit to student** (How will this placement be of interest and benefit to a student?)  
Gun safety, especially with regard to accidental shooting and gun theft is a major concern in Durham and surrounding counties. This practicum will give students the opportunity to develop tools to contribute towards active solutions in Durham County and our efforts across the state. Students will benefit from real world planning, implementation and practice in the field.

**Roles and Responsibilities of the student**  
Student will work with the existing Durham County Firearm Injury Prevention team to learn about current and past activities and develop materials for planning, implementation and evaluation. This includes a literature review on best practices in general and those around keeping weapons safely stored in homes and vehicles.

**Skills and Experience Required**  
Great oral and written communication skills, experience with Excel is helpful. Student is encouraged to work within existing strengths and skills but be willing to develop others as needed.

**Expected Outputs** (Practicum experience must yield at least two student-generated, practical work products (e.g., project plans, grant proposals, training manuals or lesson plans, surveys, memos, videos, podcasts, presentations, spreadsheets, websites, photos)  
Practical work products:  
- Logic model (will be used to develop annual action plan)  
- Gun lock distribution plan  
- Evaluation plan  
- Organized documentation of activities and accomplishments
with accompanying explanatory text, or other digital artifacts of learning), produced for the practicum site’s use and benefit, that demonstrate attainment of five [CEPH MPH Foundational Competencies](#)

| NOTES (Your opportunity to add anything else.) | This position can occur fully in person in Durham, or can be conducted in a hybrid set-up. DCoDPH operates on a 37.5 hour work week, so students can work 25-37.5 hours/week for 8-12 weeks to complete a 300 hour practicum. |

*Please return to Naya Villarreal, Global Health Associate Director*

*Email: [globalsolutions@unc.edu](mailto:globalsolutions@unc.edu)*