



Evaluation and Research Internship at the University of Arizona Campus Health Service

Organization Name:

University of Arizona, Campus Health Service

Organization Background:

The Campus Health Service (CHS) at the University of Arizona was established in 1918 in response to the Spanish Flu. Since then, Campus Health has expanded to serve thousands of students and staff members each year. CHS currently offers, mental health services, general medicine, lab, pharmacy, X-Ray, PT and more. The evaluation and research team most notably leads the efforts in the Campus Health and Wellness Survey each spring, in addition to grant management and program evaluation. More information can be found on our website at health.arizona.edu.

Internship Project Title

Evaluation and Research Internship at the Campus Health Service

Project Description:

The evaluation and research internship program will allow interested students to understand the entire process of program evaluation. Intern(s) will have the opportunity to learn hands on skills with statistical software projects and engage in information dissemination projects. Intern(s) will also have opportunities to develop surveys utilizing Qualtrics.com for research purposes. This internship will also allow the intern(s) to take a leading role in the Campus Health and Wellness Survey during the month of February. There will be opportunities to work with all departments within Campus Health and cross-campus partners.

Internship project keywords (check all that apply).

- | | |
|--|--|
| ☐ Health Disparities | ☐ Maternal/Infant Health |
| ☐ Public Health Preparedness | ☒ Tobacco Use |
| ☐ Collaborations with Community | ☐ Injury/Violence Prevention |
| ☒ Collaborations with University | ☐ Immunization |
| ☐ Community health service | ☐ Infectious Disease |
| ☐ Physical Activity | ☐ Oral Health |
| ☒ Substance Abuse | ☒ Evaluation |
| ☒ Mental Health | ☐ Policy Development |
| ☐ Access to care | ☒ Program Planning |
| ☒ Nutrition | ☒ Data Analysis |
| ☒ Reproductive/Sexual Health | ☒ Other: Research |
| ☐ Environmental Health | |

When: When do you want the work done? Check all that apply.

☒ Fall Semester

☒ Spring Semester

☐ Summer Term

☒ I want this listing to remain active indefinitely and we will accept applications from students for any upcoming semester.

☐ This listing is only for a specific semester/term: _____

Where:

Organization Mailing Address: 1224 E. Lowell St. Tucson, AZ 85721

Student Characteristics:

The Evaluation and Research team is seeking a motivated undergraduate student who has an interest in public health research and evaluation and is eager to learn. Ideal candidates will be those who can commit to the full year, but all students who are interested are encouraged to apply.

Level of Expertise Needed:

Undergraduate: **No experience in quantitative or qualitative research is required**, beyond the courses that are recommended within the B.S. Public Health Program. Students will receive hands on training with SPSS, a statistical software package, and will have the opportunity to collaborate and lead the evaluation efforts on reports of interest.

Both experiences prepare students for future employment.

☐ MPH

☒ Undergraduate

☐ Either

Supervision

Students will be **supervised by Rachel Abraham, MPH** who serves at the Evaluation Manager for Campus Health.

Educational Background:

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

Doctorate in Public Health – Public Health Policy and Management (major)

Pharmaceutical Sciences -- Outcomes and Evaluation (minor) (August 2021 - Current)

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

Master of Public Health – Public Health Policy and Management (August 2018- May 2020)

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

Bachelor of Science – Public Health (August 2014- December 2017)

Professional Experience:

Ms. Abraham has worked with federal and state level grants since 2017 where she has served in the capacity of evaluation and health education. Ms. Abraham has previously served as a Project Manager for Data and Policy Compliance within the University of Arizona. Within this role, she developed and lead program evaluation metrics and served as the key communicator regarding federal policies and procedures at the University. Additionally, Ms. Abraham worked on drafting legislation pertaining to stock medication usage in Public Schools on the national level. While she drafted legislation with key stakeholders, she also developed and maintained sustainability plans for the first 5-years of legislation implementation. In September of 2022, Ms. Abraham joined the Campus Health staff as the Evaluation Manager focusing on programmatic outcomes and metric evaluation for Counseling and Psych Services (CAPS). Most recently, she had served as the Administrative Lead for the statewide Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System's Substance Abuse Block Grant, and the PI for the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System's Substance Use Block Grant via the American Rescue Plan Act. Ms. Abraham continues to strive for institutional growth and equity within programmatic intervention methods. She has presented at local and national meetings, along with working on interdisciplinary teams for drafting publications. She serves as a facilitator within the College of Medicine's B.S. Medicine program, and an assessment coach for university staff members who are seeking to gain more insight on evaluation.

Recent Relevant Publications/Presentations:

Abraham, R. & Carter-Clark, L. (May 2023). Getting in Front of Crisis Management. Session presented at the Fraternity Executives Association Annual Meeting, Palm Desert, CA

Choi, B., **Abraham, R.**, Halawah, H., Calamia, M., Obeng-Kusi, M., & Alrawashdh, N. et al. (2021). Comparing jurisdiction- specific pharmaco-economic evaluations using medical purchasing power parities. Journal Of Medical Economics, 24(sup1), 34-41. doi: 10.1080/13696998.2021.2007705

Compensation/Benefits/Professional Development

There is no monetary compensation available. Students will have the opportunity to work on reports that will be sent to University Leadership.

Application Contact Information

Interested applicants should email a resume and a completed application to Rachel Abraham, MPH at rachelabraham@arizona.edu.