



**Position:** Research Intern – Public Health  
**Location:** Abrams Public Health Center, 3950 S Country Club Rd  
**Supervisor:** Jane Froemel, *PCHD Manager of Vaccine Preventable Disease Program*  
**Start Date:** Negotiable. Position is open until filled.

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## Background

Vaccine programs have immensely contributed to the decline in mortality and morbidity of many infectious diseases. The success stories of the eradication of small pox and the elimination of poliomyelitis from four of the World Health Organization regions, reflect highly on vaccination programs and the millions of lives saved each year.

Amongst all public health interventions, vaccines top the list in efficacy. However, the success in vaccination programs is dependent on a high vaccination coverage rate. This directly protects the vaccinated individuals, and indirectly the whole community, by providing herd immunity and thereby reducing the transmission of vaccine preventable diseases.

To improve coverage rates and address vaccine hesitancy among Pima County residents, an interdisciplinary team of Pima County Health Department staff are working to develop an intervention.

## Position Summary

The Pima County Health Department is seeking a student intern to lead or provide project support on an intervention to increase influenza vaccination coverage rates among members of Pima County.

The position will provide the intern with an opportunity to gain valuable work experience in designing a community intervention – including goal setting, collecting/analyzing data, developing an action plan, pilot-testing an intervention, and monitoring/evaluating processes and outcomes. The intern will also gain experience working with an interdisciplinary team of public health professions - including direct contact with Pima County's Deputy Chief Medical Officer.

## Preference

The ideal candidate is a quick and eager learner, detail oriented, organized and highly efficient, and has excellent communication and writing skills.

This is an unpaid position with a flexible work schedule.



## Responsibilities

### Recent Graduate or Junior/Senior Level Student:

- Assist in development of project plans and reporting of project status along with other documentation;
- Support project managers to plan, coordinate, and execute the project/tasks efficiently;
- Attend team meetings, assist with agenda, and report project status along with other documentation;
- Assist with coordination of internal resources for project;
- Assist project managers with research and formulating solutions;
- Assist with data collection logistics, including proper preparation of all materials;
- Assist with data entry as needed;
- Assist with report formatting and citation management;
- Assist in development of method for collecting and analyzing data;
- Assist in development of summary report of all data findings;
- Meet with Site Supervisor weekly to submit completed assignments and discuss progress;
- Comply with all Pima County policies.

### Graduate Student:

- Take lead in the development of project plans and reporting of project status along with other documentation;
- Plan, coordinate, and execute project/tasks with support from project managers;
- Coordinate team meetings, develop the agenda, track follow up activities, and report project status along with other documentation;
- Coordinate internal resources for project as needed;
- Research and formulate solutions in conjunction with project managers;
- Coordinate data collection logistics, including proper preparation of all materials;
- Conduct data entry as needed;
- Conduct secondary research and literature reviews as needed;
- Develop method for collecting and analyzing data with support from project managers;
- Develop a summary report of all data findings;
- Meet with Preceptor weekly to submit completed assignments and discuss progress;
- Comply with all Pima County policies.

## Minimum Qualifications

- Currently enrolled with an accredited college or university
- Able to dedicate a minimum of one-semester
- Able to pass a background check
- Reliable transportation to and from the Pima County Health Department located at: 3950 S Country Club Rd.