Agenda

1. What is the Practicum?
2. Past Experiences
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Your Practicum Support Circle:

Your Field Consultant

Do you know yours?

Your point of contact for practicum questions, support, and advice.

Will review and sign off on practicum documentation, as well as check in with you throughout your practicum:

Kandis Rodgers
Career & Internship Specialist
Career counseling appointments:
- Review application materials, e.g., resume/CV, cover letter
- Prepare for interviews, conducting mock interviews
- Strategize around your practicum/job search
- ...All your questions!

Upcoming events:
- F 4/2 (10:30am-12pm): Negotiations Workshop
- ...Stay tuned for more!
Your Practicum Support Circle:

Your OOMPH Team
What is the Practicum?

○ A Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) accreditation + MPH degree graduation requirement

○ Minimum of 130 hours to be completed PRIOR to comprehensive exam

○ Enhances students’ professional + leadership development

○ Enhances organizations’ capacity to fulfill their priorities
Past Experiences

Reflects the practicum experiences initiated by OOMPH students between January 2019 & September 2020.
**Projects**

**Adolescent Health:** Analyzed the impact of the FDA's approval of sofosbuvir (SOF)-based medications that treat chronic hepatitis C among adolescents at Gilead Sciences.

**Health Policy:** Provided literature review to guide global nurse prescribing policies at the International Council of Nursing.

**Infectious Diseases:** Completed an STD/HIV prevention services gap assessment to increase availability of PrEP through Washoe County Health District.

**Advocacy:** Conducted a social media campaign to educate families about healthy policy issues affecting children and voter registration with the American Academy of Pediatrics.

**Preventive Medicine:** Collaborated with local stakeholders to incorporate patients with Medicare into an Accountable Care Organization at Saint Francis Health Care System.

**Health Equity:** Worked with Family, Maternal, & Child Health Services at Contra Costa Health Services to propose interventions that reduce birth disparities and improve health outcomes for black families.

**Maternal Health:** Developed clinical responses to questions received by the Maternal Data Center for the California Maternal Quality Care Collaborative.

**School Wellness:** Evaluated a health and wellness curriculum using community-based participatory research (CBPR) methods at Black Pine Circle School.

**Prenatal Care:** Created Key Driver Diagrams to improve timeliness of prenatal care and postpartum visits and to inform intervention development at UC Health.
Timeline

Most students began their practicum in late spring/early summer:

- Jan: 25%
- Feb: 25%
- Mar: 37%
- Apr: 25%
- May: 13%
- June: 25%
- July: 25%
- Aug: 13%
- Sept: 25%
- Oct: 37%
- Nov: 25%
- Dec: 25%

Duration to complete (in months):
Half of students (50%) completed the required 130 hours in 4 months or less.

- 1-2: 28%
- 3-4: 32%
- 5-6: 17%
- 7-8: 13%
- 9+: 11%
Timeline

**Self Exploration**

**Getting Acclimated to MPH Program**

**Complete Practicum by end of semester**

**Submit all requirements**

**Expanded exploration**

**Begin practicum experience**

**Take Comp Exam**
Timeline

Spring 2021 Grads

- Have your hours completed or finishing any remaining hours.
- All documents submitted to bCourses.

Summer 2021 Grads

- Completing your hours now - Submitting all thing to bCourses
- Getting ready to begin - Please contact Kandis
Timeline

Fall 2021 Grads

- Will want to complete hours no later than end of Summer 2021 semester.

Spring 2022 Grads & Beyond

- Self Exploration -- Networking -- Researching
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<td>Confirmation Form</td>
<td>Describes background information about the placement and project(s) that will be completed in fulfillment of the MPH practicum requirements</td>
<td>Due three weeks prior to the start of your practicum</td>
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<td>Learning Agreement</td>
<td>Details the scope of your work, the MPH competencies that will be addressed, and your deliverables.</td>
<td>Due two weeks after your start date</td>
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<td>Information Interviews (2)</td>
<td>A summary of an informal conversation with someone working in an area of interest to you.</td>
<td>Due at 65 hours completion.</td>
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<td>Summary of Accomplishments</td>
<td>Describes what you accomplished during your practicum and the impact of your work.</td>
<td>Due at the end of your practicum</td>
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<td>Verification of Hours</td>
<td>This form verifies the total hours and responsibilities completed at the host site.</td>
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<td>Deliverables (2)</td>
<td>Organizational deliverables are the written products that you worked on during the course of your practicum.</td>
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bCourses to PHLEX

Welcome Online MPH Practicum

This site serves as a resource to help you explore practicum opportunities and decide which experiences best align with your public health career interests and priorities. It also serves as a hub where you will document what you have achieved and reflect on the lessons learned during your practicum.

If you need assistance with your practicum or have questions, please reach out to your practicum consultant:

Kendis Rodgers — Kendis.Rodgers@berkeley.edu — Make an Appointment

Please navigate the tabs below for more information:

1. Introduction
2. Overview & Requirements
3. PHLEX (Online Job Board)

Center for Public Health Practice & Leadership

Login to continue to PHLEX

Login with your CalNet Login (for current students)

OR

Email Login (only for guests and alumni who graduated before 2018)

- Email Login (only for guests and alumni who graduated before 2018)
- Password

- Student/Alumni Log In

Create New Experience

Welcome! In the drop-down menu below under "Experiential Learning Type", please identify the form appropriate to your program.

Following submission of your form, the content will be shared first with your preceptor for electronic approval and then with your Field Consultant.

Questions about what information to include in your form? Please email your Field Consultant.

Seeking technical assistance or questions about the electronic approval process? Please email publichealthcareers@berkeley.edu

Basics

- Student*
- Employer*
- Experiential Learning Type*
- Street Address where student will primarily be located*
- Country where student will primarily be located*
- City where student will primarily be located*

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Flex Your Future

PHLEX (Public Health Leadership & Experience Exchange)

- Student login page (via CalNet): berkeleypublichealth.12twenty.com

Central location for:

- Accessing practicum/job postings
- Booking career counseling appointments
- For those that have not begun a practicum - Submitting your practicum requirements: Confirmation Form, Learning Agreement, Informational Interviews, Summary of Accomplishments, Evaluation Form, and two deliverables
Exploring Beyond PHLEX

Google Site:
- Accessible within berkeley.edu domain: publichealth.berkeley.edu/cphpl

- Planning tools
- Recordings of previous sessions, including global health workshops, LinkedIn trainings, and alumni interviews
Community Connections

Opportunities
- SPH job board: PHLEX
- Campus job board: Handshake
- California Volunteers: Submit your interest at serve.ca.gov

Resources
- SPH Career Services resource collection, including COVID-19 Job Search Guide
- Center for Public Health Practice and Leadership Leadership Toolkit
- Get hired remotely resource collection (Handshake)
- Networking: SPH Alumni LinkedIn group, LinkedIn (including Alumni Tool), Berkeley Career Network, @cal Career Network

Support
- Basic Needs, Wellness, and Beyond: COVID-19 Info for Grad Students (GradDiv)
Frequently Asked Questions

Can I complete my hours at my current place of employment?
Yes, but your project must be outside of your normal scope of work and should be supervised by someone other than your current supervisor.

Can I split my hours between multiple organizations?
Yes. Please keep in mind the impact of the work. Note that required submissions will be doubled.

What are your questions?