



Internship Descriptions

Student Field Exploration (10 hours)

The exploratory experience provides students with an opportunity to become familiar with a potential CHW setting. This experience should provide a student with a “big picture” experience of a CHW could fit into the health care system. The student will be expected to observe various areas within the organization and ask questions. The student will complete an assignment provided by their instructor after completing this experience. (Students may choose to do all 10 hours at one organization or divide the time between multiple organizations. All field explorations sites must be approved by the instructor prior to student observation).

Student Field Application (20 hours)

This field experience provides students with an opportunity to job shadow a health care or human services professional who works with clients that could benefit from the services of a CHW. The student is expected observe the professional as they interact with cliental and ask questions. The student will complete an assignment provided by their instructor after completing this experience. (Students may choose to do all 20 hours at one organization or divide the time between multiple organizations. All field application sites must be approved by the instructor prior to student observation).

Student Field Internship (50 hours)

The internship experience providers the student with an opportunity to interact directly with an agency mentor. This is expected to be an opportunity to apply and integrate their classroom knowledge into interactions with clients, under the supervision of the mentor. The mentor must complete an agreement form and be in regular contact with the instructor to ensure the student is receiving a quality experience and that their competency will provide them with a smooth transition into a role as a CHW. (All 50 hours must take place under the supervision of the same mentor. A site and mentor must be approved by the instructor prior to student internship).

Total hours 80