

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & MENTAL HYGIENE Health Research Training Program

The Health Research Training Program (H RTP) of the NY City Department of Health & Mental Hygiene is pleased to announce its 2006 Summer Session. The program is open to college undergraduates, graduate and professional school students. H RTP provides students with valuable, real-life experience in public health research and practice in New York City. The goals of the program are to:

- ⇒ Orient students to the principles and practices of public health planning, research, evaluation and administration.
- ⇒ Broaden students' concept of public health by increasing their awareness of the needs, challenges and career opportunities in this field.

Many former H RTP interns have gone on to careers in government public health agencies, academia and not-for-profit organizations. Through H RTP, students have the opportunity to meet and work with top public health researchers and advocates, as well as students from all over the country. In addition to working hands-on in the DOHMH, students attend weekly seminars with guest lecturers in the field of public health. A short written paper (8-10 pages) is required in order to successfully complete the internship.

The H RTP Summer Session is open to all students. Out-of-town students must arrange their own housing in New York City. H RTP provides information on college dormitories in the area. You are urged to complete these arrangements well before arriving to start your internship.

FUNDING: In some cases, funding is available for projects, and students receive a small stipend (depending on their education level). While H RTP cannot guarantee funding, it does try to match students as best as possible to funded internships. When funding is not available, students volunteer in unpaid internships. Students who are eligible for the Federal College Work-Study Program can use their grants to work at the DOHMH. Please check with your school's financial office to determine your eligibility and whether your school permits the use of work study grants off campus.

APPLICATION PROCESS AND DEADLINES: The application process is competitive, and H RTP does not guarantee admission into the program. To apply, pick up an application from Ms. Darrell M. Griffin, Career Services, Memorial Hall, 2nd Floor, 524-5407, e-mail: dgriffin@vsu.edu. Please note that the following documents are required for your application to be reviewed:

1. Official School Transcript (photocopies and internet printouts will not be accepted)
2. Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0/4.0 scale is required
3. Personal Statement of no more than 500 words
4. Resume
5. One Recommendation (preferably from a professor)

Your application will not be reviewed until all documents are received.