



Summer Internship Opportunity

Gain Hands-On Experience with Workplace Safety and Health Issues

Internship Dates: June 13 - August 12, 2011

Deadline to Apply: Monday, March 14th

Applicants Notified by Mid-April, 2011

Organization Description

OHIP is a national program committed to recruiting, training, mentoring and inspiring a new generation of occupational safety and health professionals to prevent job injury and disease through partnerships with workers. A project of the Association of Occupational and Environmental Clinics (AOEC), OHIP has training centers in the San Francisco Bay Area, Los Angeles, San Diego, New York and Boston. Previous 2010 projects included: Heat Illness and Chemical Exposure among Carwash Workers, Ergonomic Risks for Airport Baggage Handlers, Shoulder and Back Injuries of Pavement Breakers, and Hazards of Waste and Recycling Workers.

For more information about potential 2011 projects, contact Los Angeles Site Coordinator Kevin Riley at kriley@ucla.edu or National OHIP Program Coordinator Sarah Jacobs at sjacobs@irle.ucla.edu.

Position Description

Students work on teams to investigate a job-related health and safety problem, often identified by the workers themselves, their union or a worker organization. OHIP is an applied research experience, where students learn about the field of occupational safety and health from the perspective of workers. Project work emphasizes worker interviews and worksite evaluations. At the end of the project, teams provide a "give back" product to the workers, present their summer project at a NIOSH national videoconference and produce a final report. Commitment is full-time, including possible evenings or weekends.

Qualifications

Graduate and undergraduate students can apply; some stipends are restricted to US citizens. Non-US citizens must supply documentation of permission to work in the US. Undergraduates must have completed two years, preferably in a field related to public health, environmental studies or public policy. Graduate students in public health, medicine, nursing or a related field are encouraged to apply. We are looking for students with experience or interest in working with unions or social justice organizations, are organized and self-starting, have good team skills and ideally speak a second language of new immigrant workers: Spanish, Mandarin, Korean, Vietnamese, etc. We encourage students from minority and recent immigrant groups to apply.

Compensation

Undergraduates = \$4,000 stipend

Graduate, medical, nursing students = \$5,200 stipend

To Apply

Visit www.aoec.org/ohip for an application form and to view sample projects.

For questions about the application process, contact

OHIP Administrative Program Coordinator Ingrid Denis at idenis@aoec.org or **1-888-347-2632**.