

# Texas Department of State Health Services

# Form 1: Internship Description

Office of Academic Affairs

DSHS Internships

Please complete the template below. Highlighted text is instruction for preceptors and will be removed before publishing

## **Internship Title:**

Healthcare Associated Infections and Antimicrobial Resistance (HAI/AR) Epidemiology

Internship Location: (Please also indicate if the internship is offered In-Person only, Virtual only, or either In-Person or Virtual)

**Austin or Virtual from Texas** 

Preceptor Name and Title: Jenna Harlan, Varsha Misra, Healthcare Safety Unit

## **Brief Description**

Include minimum of 3 learning objectives

Healthcare Associated Infections (HAIs) and antibiotic resistance (AR) are internationally and nationally recognized by the scientific and medical communities as serious public health threats. The Healthcare Safety Unit (HSU) works collaboratively with healthcare facilities, local health departments, public health laboratories and other stakeholders to respond to HAI and AR investigations via sharing of information, education and trainings. The internship will allow the student to (1) learn the epidemiology of HAI and AR; (2) recognize what infection prevention and control practices healthcare facilities should follow to contain the spread of HAI and AR; (3) understand how to manage and disseminate HAI and AR information to different stakeholders.

Approximate Total Weekly Hours: Varies	Paid: □Yes ⊠No	Office of Chief State Epidemiologist Division; Disease Surveillance and Epidemiology Section	Program: Healthcare Safety Unit
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**Disciplines of Public Health (Check all that apply)** 

⋈ Biostatistics/Data Analytics	⊠ Epidemiology	
	☐ Program Planning	☐ Health Administration
☐ Environmental Health	⊠ Research	□ Program Evaluation
☐ Policy Analysis and Development	☐ Other: Click or tap here to enter text.	

## **Internship Details**

#### **Intern Activities**

What will the intern do during their internship? Use verbs to describe activities.

- Compile, manage, and evaluate HAI and AR data
- Report and disseminate HAI and AR data to different stakeholders
- Support HAI prevention and response efforts across the state, which could include gathering information, identifying risk factors for infection, and writing reports
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#### **Intern Deliverables** (at least one)

#### What will the intern produce or complete at the end of the internship?

- Oral power point presentation for program staff
- Abstract draft for potential submission to a peer-reviewed journal for publication or for potential submission for presentation at a public health conference
- Other deliverables as determined by intern's school/DSHS program

As part of an end-of-semester celebration of the interns, the intern will give a brief PowerPoint or poster presentation of their project and experience to an audience of DSHS staff and university partners.

## **Applicant Qualifications**

Please check the box for each skill that you would require or prefer the candidate to have. Please add skills not listed under 'any other skills required/preferred'

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Required	Skill (check all that apply)
	⊠ Word
	⊠ Excel
	☐ Tableau or similar applications
	☐ Other software applications
	Academic Level
	Graduate student
	Any other skills required (soft or technical)
	Technical writing, critical thinking and problem-solving.
Preferred	Skill (check all that apply)
	☐ Microsoft Office:
	□ Word
	□ Excel
	☐ PowerPoint
	☐ Statistical Analysis applications (SPSS, STATA, etc.)
	☐ Tableau or similar applications
	□ Other software applications
	SAS, ArcGIS
	Academic Level
	Click or tap here to enter text.
	Any other skills required (soft or technical)
	Click or tap here to enter text.

## **Application Instructions**

Qualified and interested applicants must submit the following items to the contact below:

			□	☐ Two letters of recommendation
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		Instructions: Letters from current or former supervisor or faculty members (in lieu of reference checks).
⊠ Resume	☐ Writing Sample	☐ Other documents: Click or tap here to enter text.

# **Contact Information**

<b>Contact Name and</b>
Information

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