Community Health & Non-Clinical Internships at Geisinger

Sociology 322: Medical Sociology, Spring 2013

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This course will focus on health in the community and will have hands on, real work experiences through Geisinger Health System and other community internship opportunities. Class readings will provide support to students in their work and cohesion with the internship experience. Location of classes at Geisinger provides for possible guest speakers to share their experiences and expertise. This course is open to second, third, and fourth year students with a strong interest in health-related issues and some background or skills related to health. Preferred students will have taken some sociology courses or other social science courses, however, all students will be considered.

Class Specifics:

- 15 student limit
- Course on Tuesdays from 2-5 @ Geisinger Danville Campus
- 10 hour per week for internship research opportunities
- Group transportation available leaving Bucknell on Tuesdays at 1:30 & returning ≈ 5:30

Graded class requirements will depend on the field work set up for each person. Students are expected to:

- Commit substantial time and efforts to meeting a need in the local communities
- Complete project reports specific to their work or field notes on a setting they are observing and/or some summarizing project describing a project they create
- Complete analytic writing assignments related to readings and class activities

Once a student has been accepted to this course, Donna Laroya will attempt to set up a research or project internship experience close to that person’s area of interest. The settings may be within the administrative structure at Geisinger, on a research or other project, or outside of Geisinger in the community. Students should approach field experiences as though they are employees at a job. Those students placed at Geisinger locations must go through background checks, clearances, drug and tobacco screenings. Students can use this class as the starting point for continuing internships and research in future semesters.

If you are interested, please apply: [http://www.facstaff.bucknell.edu/milofsky/MedCap/SPRING%202012%20QUESTIONNAIRE%20FOR%20SOCILOGY%20322.pdf](http://www.facstaff.bucknell.edu/milofsky/MedCap/SPRING%202012%20QUESTIONNAIRE%20FOR%20SOCILOGY%20322.pdf)