



## **SUMMER 2015 COMMUNITY HEALTH INTERNSHIPS Rutgers School of Public Health**

The Bridging the Gaps Community Health Internship Program (BTG CHIP) provides health-related service to underserved populations while training community responsive health and social service professionals. BTG is a paid 7-week summer internship for health profession students between their first and second year of studies. Interns are placed at a community agency based on their interest, and spend four days per week there, and one day per week in workshops in Piscataway. BTG is a consortium of universities in the Philadelphia area of which Rutgers University is a Network Affiliate.

The program is coordinated through Rutgers School of Public Health and runs for seven weeks from June 15 through July 31, 2015. **Interns are paid \$3,000 for the summer. Students apply by completing a two page application.** Accepted students are notified by email in early April. Accepted students will need to commit to the program by April 15, 2015.

To be eligible, students must attend a graduate program at Rutgers University, be in good-standing, having completed their first year in their program and be enrolling for fall 2015. Rowan SOM medical students are also eligible to participate. The program is appropriate for students with an interest in working in the community and who feel like they can learn from this experience. This is a community service program—not a research program.

Because this program is partially funded through the federal work study program, RU students must complete the FAFSA forms and demonstrate financial need to be eligible for the program. Rowan students do not need to complete this form.

Students work 40 hours per week, which consists of 4 full work-days at an assigned community site and one full-day of didactic sessions. Community sites are in **Camden, New Brunswick, Newark, and Trenton**. Wednesday sessions include morning workshops followed by small group discussions of work at your sites as well as planning for common NJ projects. Wednesday sessions will be held in Piscataway. Attendance is mandatory at ALL Wednesday sessions as well as at the Philadelphia Annual Bridging the Gaps Symposium in September where students participate in a poster session.

For more information e-mail [westbm@sph.rutgers.edu](mailto:westbm@sph.rutgers.edu). You may also go to the Bridging the Gaps website at: [www.bridgingthegaps.info](http://www.bridgingthegaps.info). **Application Deadline: March 15, 2015.**

APPLICATION  
Bridging the Gaps at Rutgers  
Community Health Internship Program

**Program Dates: June 15 through July 31, 2015**

Instructions: Please be sure to answer all questions. Only complete applications will be considered. **NOTE: Students must be able to participate the full seven weeks in order to be eligible (June 15-July 31, 2015).**

1. Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Student A#: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Rutgers/Rowan School \_\_\_\_\_ Campus \_\_\_\_\_
5. Email Addresses: \_\_\_\_\_@rutgers.edu \_\_\_\_\_@gmail.com
6. Mailing Address (where correspondence will be sent):  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_
7. Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_
8. Other language skills? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Please rank your preference for a community site (only rank locations where you are willing and able to commute to 4 days a week):  
Camden \_\_\_\_ New Brunswick \_\_\_\_ Newark \_\_\_\_ Trenton \_\_\_\_
10. The location of Wednesday workshops/meetings will be in Piscataway. If selected, are you willing/able to travel to attend the Wednesday workshops?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT:** A portion of the funding for Bridging the Gaps at Rutgers is provided by the Community Service component of the Federal Work Study Program. In order to qualify for participation, Rutgers students must complete the 2015-2016 FAFSA form and demonstrate financial need. Rowan students do not need to complete this form.

12. I have (or plan to) completed 2015-2016 FAFSA  
Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

13. In the space provided below, explain why you are interested in a summer **community service** internship:

Please email your Bridging the Gaps Application to Dr. Bernadette West at [westbm@sph.rutgers.edu](mailto:westbm@sph.rutgers.edu) or mail to Bernadette West, Rutgers School of Public Health, 683 Hoes Lane West, Rm 320, Piscataway, NJ 08854. The number of slots available is contingent upon available funding.  
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