Title of Practicums
1. Practicum in P-16 Research and Collaboration, College Access and Success (Balfour Scholars Program)
2. Practicum in P-16 Research and Collaboration, Global Education Initiatives

Practicum Description Summary
We are seeking 2 students with interests in issues related to P-16 (pre-kindergarten (P) through undergraduate (16)) education, community involvement, and program development. Practicum students will interact with Center faculty and staff. Practicum students will play key roles in researching best practice models and assisting with research and project implementation. These are semester-long positions with flexibility and autonomy, allowing for personal and professional development beyond the foci described above. The center will offer two practicum experiences:

1. **College Access and Success Practicum student** will assist with the Balfour Scholars Program (BSP) by participating in research, programming, outreach, and recruitment. BSP is a student-centered outreach program that provides underrepresented minority students with a continuum of support.

2. **Global Education Initiatives Practicum student** will play a key role in assisting with research and project implementation related to the internationalization of education at Indiana University and throughout the state of Indiana.

Sponsoring Office
The Center for P-16 Research and Collaboration (P-16 Center) was founded in 2006 to facilitate partnerships that lead to improvement in education from pre-kindergarten through postsecondary education (P–16). The overarching goal of the P-16 Center is to improve college access and success, especially for students from groups traditionally underrepresented in higher education, by strengthening pre-college preparation and transitions to college.

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Indiana University School of Education
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201 North Rose Avenue
Bloomington, IN 47405
http://education.indiana.edu/p16/index.php

If multiple students can be selected for this position, please indicate the number of practicum students the site is willing to host:

Spring 2016 (Possibly Summer 2015*)

Number available: 2
*College Access and Success Practicum student may choose to transition to a paid internship with the Balfour Pre-College Academy for the summer of 2016.*

**Please identify any requirements outside the 8 hours per week of the practicum experience the student would be expected to complete:**

Student is expected to be self-directed in terms of time management for practicum experience; all associated work can be completed within 8 hour /week time frame.

However, as mentioned above, we would be open to working with a Practicum student on initiatives that take place outside that experience, such as on teacher development projects that take place throughout the state of Indiana, or on research projects that involve participants outside of Bloomington.

**Learning outcomes associated with the practicum experience in your office:**
- Interact with professionals within the IU and Bloomington communities.
- Development of project management, research, and assessment skills.
- Understand national trends and best practices with regards to P-16 partnerships.
- Gain thorough knowledge and good experience in the operation of P-16 programs and how they serve its students.
- Learn the grant writing process at the local, state, and federal levels.
- Learn about collaboration within education circles as well as with policy actors at the local and state levels.

**Provide a brief summary of the activities, duties, responsibilities and/or special projects associated with this position:**

_Duties and responsibilities of both practicums will include:_

- Strengthen P-16 Centers current projects and assisting with developing new and innovative projects
- Advocate for academic partnerships on campus and in the community
- Research best practices in P-16 collaborations
- Develop effective and sustainable documents for Center projects (i.e., manuals, materials, assessment tools, etc.)
- Represent the Center as required on campus and in the community
- Other programs/duties as assigned; position will evolve based upon strengths of practicum student and needs of the P-16 Center

The **College Access and Success Practicum student** will primarily assist the P-16 Center Director of Balfour Scholars Program in research and securing grants to support college access and success projects. This student will have the opportunity to engage in qualitative and quantitative research collection and analysis as well as programming and outreach. Currently, BSP has three cohorts, high school seniors, first year and sophomore IUB students. Lastly, this student will assist our annual Balfour Pre-College Academy (i.e., curriculum planning, recruitment, registration, etc.).

The **Global Initiatives Practicum student** will primarily assist the P-16 Center Director of Global Education Initiatives in researching and securing grants to support international
and global education projects, such as the dual language immersion pilot program recently announced by the Indiana Department of Education. The Practicum student will also assist with the transcription of qualitative data collected for various research projects. The Practicum student will have the opportunity to assist with qualitative and quantitative data collection and analysis, dependent upon interest and experience. This student will learn about various international education initiatives at various P-16 levels of education.

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_x__ Yes, my department plans to attend the HESA Practicum Fair and we have completed the description form

___ No, my department does not plan to attend the HESA Practicum Fair, but we have available opportunities for students and I have completed the description form

___ No, my department does not plan to attend the HESA Practicum Fair and we have no available opportunities at this time.

Please submit completed practicum description form to Gretchen Holthaus, gholthau@indiana.edu, by October 2, 2015. Past practicum descriptions can be found at http://education.indiana.edu/students/graduates/programs/hesa/masters-practicum-sites.html and http://education.indiana.edu/students/graduates/programs/hesa/masters-practicum-opportunities%202015.html.

If you should have questions concerning this form or the establishment/maintenance of practica in your office, please do not hesitate to contact Danielle De Sawal, HESA Master’s Program Coordinator, Education 4272, at 856-8382 or via e-mail at ddesawal@indiana.edu.

Thank you!