Title of Practicum
Assessment and Research Assistant

Practicum Description Summary
Working jointly with the Director of Assessment & Planning and the Director of the Office of Health & Wellness Promotion, the practicum student will assist with the evaluation, research and development of a health and wellness assessment plan for the IUPUI campus. Based on interest and departmental needs, additional opportunities for experience in leadership development for our Peer Educators and programming could be available in this position.

Sponsoring Office
Division of Student Affairs (Assessment & Planning) and the Office of Health & Wellness Promotion

Department/Office Website Address

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

Spring 2016 Number available: 1

Please identify any requirements outside the 8 hours per week of the practicum experience the student would be expected to complete:
There are no additional requirements outside the eight hours per week. Student is expected to be self-directed with weekly oversight by either the Director of Assessment & Planning or the Director of Health & Wellness Promotion.

Learning outcomes associated with the practicum experience in your office:
As a result of completing this practicum, the student will be able to better:
- Utilize research strategies and skills
- Apply assessment and program development knowledge
- Interpret knowledge about the interrelationship between student affairs and academic/administrative policies in a large university setting
- Create and assess data reports on programming participation and effectiveness

Provide a brief summary of the activities, duties, responsibilities and/or special projects associated with this position:
This practicum would focus on creating a comprehensive assessment plan for the Office of Health and Wellness Promotion. Assessment activities will include helping to create, administer,
and analyze the results for two needs assessments: one for the Peer Education student leaders and a second on student wellbeing for campus utilization. Additionally, the student will compile and analyze research on college student health and wellness, and subsequently make recommendations for implementation at IUPUI. If time allows, the student may also shadow Health & Wellness Promotion staff.

Identify other opportunities in the Office of Health & Wellness Promotion area to incorporate into the practicum experience. Responsibilities in leadership development, and programming, may include but are not limited to:

- Program development and implementation via logic models/program planning template.
- Development of learning outcomes.
- Creation and implementation of assessment measures.
- Benchmarking other health and wellness offices to determine best or promising practices for implementation at IUPUI.

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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.