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College of Public Health

CENTER FOR HEALTH EQUALITY

## Center for Health Equality Graduate Fellowship Training Application

### **Description:**

The University of Arizona, Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health is pleased to announce the 2007-2008 Project EXPORT Graduate Fellowship. Funded by a grant from the National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities, National Institutes of Health, the goal of the training component of Project EXPORT (Excellence in Partnerships for Community Outreach, Research on Health Disparities and Training) is to recruit and train underrepresented minority graduate students to conduct research and community interventions in the areas of diabetes and substance abuse among Native Americans and Hispanic populations in the Southwest. The fellowship is designed to support incoming and continuing minority graduate students who are interested in pursuing a career in minority health disparities.

### **Level of Support:**

Project EXPORT Fellowships provide an annual stipend of \$8,000 disbursed in two equal payments (e.g., \$4,000 at the beginning of each semester). The fellowship is for one year with a possibility of renewal, based on an evaluation of the student's progress, level of participation in program requirements, and the availability of funds.

### **Eligibility:**

Candidates must:

- Be a member of an underrepresented minority group, i.e. Hispanic, Native American, African American, Pacific-Islander.
- Be a U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident.
- Be admitted to a Masters or Doctoral level program in Public Health, Epidemiology, Mexican American Studies/Latino Health or American Indian Studies with an emphasis on public health at the University of Arizona.
- Have financial need.
- Be in good academic standing (e.g., incoming students may not be provisionally admitted, and second semester and continuing students must be making satisfactory progress toward degree).
- Be enrolled for a minimum of 6 graduate units at the University of Arizona during each semester of the award.

## **Program Requirements**

The fellowships are designed to encourage new and continuing students to engage in research, training, and community interventions in the areas of diabetes or substance abuse among Native American or Hispanic populations in the Southwest. The Arizona EXPORT program is currently focusing on two sites: the Southside of Tucson and the community of Hard Rock on the Navajo Reservation. In addition to the above eligibility requirements, Project EXPORT fellows must:

- Attend a one day EXPORT fellowship orientation at the beginning of the fall semester or the semester accepted.
- Develop a plan of study, in conjunction with the EXPORT Training Coordinator and the student's faculty advisor. The plan identifies how the student will meet the requirements of the fellowship;
- Devote 4 hours per week during each academic semester and 1 full-week during the year to working in one of the above EXPORT program sites;
- Enroll in the 3-credit graduate course, "Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities—A Comparative Approach" (CPH/MAS 520);
- Attend all brown bag seminars sponsored by the Arizona EXPORT Program focusing on Minority Health Disparities research and other topics, and
- Either conduct research or participate in an internship focusing on diabetes or substance abuse among Hispanics and Native Americans.

## **Application Procedures:**

Please submit the following application materials for review:

Cover letter with name and contact information.

- 1) Application Form
- 2) Personal statement addressing:
  - a) Your academic experience
  - b) Indicate your interest in minority health disparities, specifically related to diabetes and/or substance abuse in the Native American or Hispanic populations.
  - c) Career goals
  - d) How this fellowship will help towards your career goals
- 3) Copy of transcripts (unofficial copies are acceptable)
- 4) Copy of GRE scores
- 5) Two letters of recommendation, one of which must be from your academic advisor
- 6) Copy of FAFSA determination or statement of financial need.

Please send completed applications to:

Project EXPORT Fellowship Selection Committee  
1295 N. Martin Avenue  
Room A219 CC  
Tucson, AZ 85724

For questions, please contact Griselda Martinez, Project EXPORT Training Coordinator at 520-626-9672 Ext. 257 or at [grm1@email.arizona.edu](mailto:grm1@email.arizona.edu)

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**Contact Information:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternative Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

**University and Colleges attended:**

Institution \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_

Institution \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_

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**Names of recommenders:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Institution \_\_\_\_\_

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By signing this application I acknowledge the requirements and responsibilities associated with this award.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_