Baltimore Community Practicum & other Opportunities for Community Engagement
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Today’s Session

• Brief SOURCE Introduction
• Overview of Baltimore Community Practicum course
• Other Community Engagement Opportunities
  • Connection Community Consultants Program
  • Service-Learning Courses at JHSPH
• Other SOURCE Programs:
  • Practicum with SOURCE Partners
  • Baltimore Action Projects
  • SOURCE Service Scholars
  • JH HEAT Corps
About SOURCE

SOURCE’s mission is to engage the Johns Hopkins University health professional schools and Baltimore communities in mutually beneficial partnerships that promote health and social justice.

Our values include:

**Reciprocity** – To exchange with others for mutual benefit

**Justice** – To promote fair and equitable treatment for all

**Service** – To be of service to others

**Collaboration** – To work with others intentionally

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SOURCE Team

**Full-Time:**
Mindi Levin, Founder and Director
Tyler Derreth, Associate Director
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Ezzat Shehadeh, Communications Specialist

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Glenn Ross, Community Consultant
FWS Student Program Assistants

**Governing Board Reps for Across the Health Professional Schools:**
**JHSPH:** Deans Josh Sharfstein and Mike Ward
**SON:** Deans Jennifer Dotzenrod and Haera Han
**SOM:** Deans Barry Solomon and Roy Zeigelstein

*Other Faculty, Staff, and Student Reps + SOURCE Community Council Reps*
Join Our SOURCE Team

- **FWS Student Program Assistants** – *We’re Hiring!*
- **SOURCE Student Governing Board** – Apply by **Sunday, September 19** at 11:59 pm ET

Accepting applications from the following students:
- JHSPH: Non-MPH students
- SOM: MSIs only
- SON: Fall-start students from all degree programs

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What is the Baltimore Community Practicum (BCP)?

- **Credit-earning course** that offers real world public health practice opportunities
  - Fully meets the MPH Practicum requirement
  - A core required course for the Certificate in Community-Based Public Health

- Includes an **internship** where students apply classroom knowledge to a community-based organization (CBO)’s public health issues

- A **partnership** between JHSPH, SOURCE and CBOs in Baltimore City

- In 2021-2022, a mix of in-person, hybrid, and fully remote opportunities are available.
  - Students should be available to collaborate with CBOs during Baltimore business hours.
BCP Course Requirements

- A public health practice experience
  - Over 2nd and 3rd academic terms – must take both terms
- Attendance
  - Weekly seminars (mix of synchronous and asynchronous)
    2nd term: Tuesdays, 3:30 pm – 4:20 pm ET
    3rd term: Tuesdays, 12:15 pm – 1:05 pm ET
  - 4 or 8 hours per week working on community project
- Register for 550.864.01 after accepted
  - 2-3 credits per term, Pass/Fail
- Actively engage in a practice-based project
- Submit BCP educational plan, oral presentation & paper
What is covered in the BCP Seminar?

• Basic concepts of service-learning, CBPR, and civic professionalism

• Practical methods for promoting partnerships between communities, public health agencies, academic institutions, and CBOs

• Effective communication skills

• Information about Baltimore’s history, health issues, leadership, and more!
Sample BCP Opportunities 2021-2022

- Designing and Strategizing a Statewide Needs Assessment of LGBTQ+ Marylanders
- Mental Health Services for Children and Families Experiencing Grief, Loss, and Trauma
- Identifying Hypertension Early: Blood Pressure Screening in Community Schools
- Conducting a Process Evaluation: Supporting Quality Services to Persons Experiencing Intimate Partner Violence
- Fostering Sexual Wellness Among Baltimore Youth
- Dental & Vision Pilot Referral Program Coordination Intern
BCP Application Process

- Projects posted on-line in Practicum Opportunity Site for review \textit{Aug 30– Sept 21}

- Prioritize projects by your interests. \textit{You may apply to a maximum of 4 BCP projects}

- Submit online application, \textit{DEADLINE: Tuesday, September 21 by 11:59 pm ET}

- Interviews \textit{Between September 28 – October 13}

- Notify Accept/Not Accept \textit{October 13}

- Placement notification \textit{October 14}

- Register for 2nd term when placed, and begin projects in 2\textsuperscript{nd} term
Tips for Applying to BCP

• Don’t limit yourself to one opportunity
• Carefully review the requirements and skills needed for each opportunity
• Craft personal statements specific to each opportunity
• Consider your interest in the project
• Plan ahead (think about other commitments and degree requirements)
Where To Find BCP Information

- http://SOURCE.jhu.edu/practice

- Practicum Opportunity Site Listings: https://my.jhsph.edu/Resources/SearchTools/pos
  - Under “Type of Opportunity,” select “Baltimore Community Practicum”
  - Review all available BCP projects
  - Application Procedure: Lists the url for the online application
Other Involvement Opportunities

- Practicum/Capstones/Field Placements
- Federal Work-Study Positions
- Academic Service-Learning Courses
- Community Consultants (short-term)
- Real World Public Health Practice
- Social Justice Programming
- Student Group Collaborations
- Certificate in Community-Based Public Health
Connection Community Consultants Program

• Small Teams, Short-Term Projects
• Strategic Consulting
• Fundraising Strategy and Grants
• Performance Measurement
• Communications Consulting

A Practicum Requirement Option
Connection Community Consultants Program

- [http://SOURCE.jhu.edu/Connection](http://SOURCE.jhu.edu/Connection)
- Fill out a Consultant Profile Form, including resume or CV
- Projects will be announced during **first term**. 3 rounds per year.
- Select your projects of interest
- Diverse Connection teams are organized
- Student roles are assigned
- Connect with your CBO
- SOURCE support, Evaluations
- **OPTIONAL**: Register for academic credit 551.895
Service-Learning

Service-Learning “is a structured learning experience that combines community service with preparation and reflection. Students engaged in service-learning provide community service in response to community-identified concerns and learn about the context in which service is provided, the connection between their service and their academic coursework, and their roles as citizens.”

(CCPH; Seifer, 1998)
Service-Learning Courses

• Service-Learning Faculty and Community Fellows Program
  • Design courses
  • Learn critical, justice-based pedagogy

• S-L course examples
  • Applied Environmental Health Practice (2nd term)
  • Food Systems Practicum (2nd term)
  • Qualitative Research course series (2nd, 3rd, and 4th terms)
  • Stigma and Public Health: Issues and Interventions (3rd term)
  • Social Context of Adolescent Health and Development (4th term)
  • Applications in Program Monitoring and Evaluation (4th term)
  • Community-Based Practice through Civic Engagement (4th term)
  • Methods for Assessing Power, Privilege, and Public Health in the United States (4th term)
Other SOURCE Programs

• Practicum with SOURCE Partners – view in POS system
• Baltimore Action Projects – interviews announced
• SOURCE Service Scholars – applications in Spring 2022
• JH HEAT Corps – Applications due today! Wed, September 8 by 11:59 pm
SOURCE Events and Programs

• Baltimore Week & Baltimore Context
• Introductions to Community-Based Organizations
• Practicing Justice series
• Quarterly Donation Drives
• National Volunteer Week
• SOURCE Awards
• Student Group Collaborations
• Critical Reflection
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