Baltimore Action Projects
Student Information Session

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Today’s Session

• Brief SOURCE Introduction

• Overview of *Baltimore Action Projects* (BAP)

• Other Public Health Practice Opportunities to come!
  • Connection Community Consultants Program
  • (BSPH) Service-Learning Courses
  • (SON) Community Outreach Program
  • Federal Work-Study Positions
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

http://SOURCE.jhu.edu
SOURCE Team

Full-Time:
Mindi Levin, Founder and Director
Tyler Derreth, Associate Director
Rosemary Riel, Assistant Director
Lydia Hickey, Assistant Director
Ezzat Shehadeh, Communications Specialist
New Team Members To Be Announced!

Part-Time:
Glenn Ross, Community Consultant
Student Program Assistants – we’re hiring!

Student Governing Board reps for 2024-2025
MPH students – apps due by Sun, July 28
All others – apps open in the Fall
Background

Bloomberg American Health Initiative (The Initiative)

5 Critical Public Health Challenges in the U.S.
• Addiction and Overdose
• Adolescent Health
• Environmental Challenges
• Food Systems and Health
• Violence

Cross-cutting Themes
• Equity
• Evidence
• Policy
Background

SOURCE

- Baltimore Focus
- Network of over 100 SOURCE Partnering Community-Based Organizations (CBOs)
- Year 8 of Baltimore Action Projects
- Dedicated Graduate Student Intern with a Stipend + $500 for Project Support to CBO
- Open to JHU BSPH and SON Students Only, with ability to work in-person in Baltimore
Background

Selected BAP Students

- *Flexible Structure* for Completing Projects
- Required Minimum of *100 Hours* of Effort during the Academic Year
- Regularly Work with CBO Preceptor
- Receive a $1,750 Stipend for their Work
What are Baltimore Action Projects?

- **Real world public health practice opportunities**
  - Pairs a JHU public health or nursing student with a SOURCE community partner
  - Focus on a Bloomberg American Health Initiative focus area

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

- **In 2024-2025, a mix of in-person and hybrid opportunities are available.**
  - Students should be available to collaborate with CBOs during Baltimore business hours.
BAP Student Commitments

- **Service Hour Requirement**: Complete and report a minimum of **100 hours**
- **On-going Work with CBO**: Regularly meet with and communicate with their CBO preceptor(s)
- **Communicate with JHU SOURCE and the Initiative**: Timely and frequent communication
- **Online Modules**: Successful completion of assigned Online Modules to prepare for community activities.
- **Employment Paperwork**: Complete required paperwork in a timely manner
- **Student Reflections**: Complete 3 synchronous cohort reflection activities
- **Final Submissions**: Students are required to complete a final report, submit final deliverable(s), and participate in a Program Impact activity (to be determined by the cohort)
## BAP Opportunities 2024-2025

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BAP Application Process

• Prioritize projects by your interests. *You may apply to a maximum of 2 BAP projects*

• Submit online application, **DEADLINE: Wednesday, July 31 by 11:59 pm ET**

• Interviews *Between August 19 – September 4th*

• Notify Accept/Not Accept *September 4th*

• Placement notification *September 5th*
Tips for Applying to BAP

• 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(s)

• Review the type of involvement (in-person, hybrid) and location of the organization
Where To Find BAP Information

- [https://SOURCE.jhu.edu/BAP](https://SOURCE.jhu.edu/BAP)

- **Questions?** Contact [SOURCE@jhu.edu](mailto:SOURCE@jhu.edu) or 410-955-3880
BAP FAQs

• Do I need to be in/near Baltimore? **Yes**

• Can more than 1 student work on a single BAP? **No**

• Can a BAP count towards my MPH practicum? **Yes**

• Can I call the organization to ask about the project? **No**

• Are these research projects? **No**

• How will I receive my payments? **Required HR paperwork, reporting hours, 2 payments**

• Can I interview via video? **Yes, though we encourage in-person interviews**
Other Involvement Opportunities

• Connection Community Consultants
• (BSPH) Service-Learning Courses
• (SON) Community Outreach Program (C.O.P.)
• Federal Work-Study Positions
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
- **[MPH]** *Earn 50 hours for practicum; must register for credit*
BSPH Service-Learning Courses

https://my.jhsph.edu/Academics/CoursesByTopic/Pages/default.aspx

- Applied Environmental Health Practice (2nd term)
- **Baltimore Community Practicum** (2nd and 3rd terms, must take both)
- Baltimore Community Data Science (1st 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)
SON Community Outreach Program (C.O.P.)

Mission:
We prepare nurse leaders in public health nursing. We are committed to improving the health of populations and advancing professional practice.

• MEN students in semesters 1 and 3
• Students work up to 4 hours/week at their CBO
• Monthly Meetings as a cohort
• Info Session and Application open in September
Federal Work-Study Positions

Eligible for FWS? SOURCE will be Hiring for 2024-2025!

- Communications Program Assistant
- Operations Program Assistant
- Public Health Practice Program Assistant
- Service-Learning Research Assistant
- Social Justice Program Assistant
- Student Programs Assistant
- *And More!*

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