The Carolina Population Center (CPC) at UNC-Chapel Hill invites applications from undergraduate students from underrepresented groups1,2 in the social, health, and spatial sciences for internships in population, health, and environment research during Summer 2010.

With support from the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation, the summer 2010 internship program provides a research and professional development framework for undergraduate students who are interested in population focused graduate training and careers. The internship positions are available beginning in summer 2010, with the possibility of continuation through a portion of the fall 2010 semester. Interns will work a maximum of 32 hours per week (at $12 per hour) for the period June 7 – July 30, 2010.

CPC interns work with faculty and staff on ongoing Center-based research projects that emphasize the intersection of the population, spatial, and/or health sciences. The internships provide an opportunity for students to participate in multidisciplinary research teams, develop a better understanding of research and what it entails, develop an interest in population research, and add to their research skills.

CPC is home to a diverse group of researchers, including faculty from sixteen UNC departments, postdoctoral scholars, and graduate student trainees. Research at CPC is interdisciplinary in nature, with a wide variety of fields represented, from sociology to nutrition, geography to epidemiology, anthropology to biostatistics, and more. For more information about CPC, visit the Center’s website at (http://www.cpc.unc.edu/).

Basic Eligibility Requirements

- Undergraduate students who are U.S. Citizens or Permanent Residents
- Strong academic record
- From a group that is underrepresented1,2 (underrepresented minorities1 and/or first generation college students2) in the social, health, and/or spatial sciences
- Strong interest in population focused research, graduate training, and careers

Application Deadline May 10, 2010

Applicants should submit the following items via email to Jan Hendrickson-Smith (jhsmith@unc.edu) by May 10, 2010:

- Transcripts from all colleges attended (unofficial and scanned copies will be accepted)
- A 1-2 page essay describing your interest in the program, and plans for graduate school
- Current resume or CV
- One letter of recommendation (sent directly to Jan Hendrickson-Smith via email by May 10, 2010.)

Questions?

Please contact:
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1 Individuals from racial and ethnic groups that have been shown by the National Science Foundation to be underrepresented in the health sciences on a national basis (see http://www.nsf.gov/statistics/showpub.cfm?TopID=2&SubID=27).

2 First generation college student (applicant’s mother and father did not complete an undergraduate degree).