

The University of Chicago
GRADUATE PROGRAM IN HEALTH ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY

Research Assistantship Program

The Graduate Program in Health Administration and Policy (GPHAP) would like to encourage collaboration between students and faculty interested in health policy. To this end, **GPHAP is sponsoring research assistant positions for faculty engaged in health-related research.**

GPHAP provides funding for up to 100 hours per student per academic year at \$12 an hour. By providing funding for the initial work, it is hoped that GPHAP's RA program will connect students to faculty involved with health related and facilitate longer termed projects. This is a great opportunity to not only earn some extra money, but to

- deepen your health care knowledge and skills;
- develop your understanding and skills in research methodology;
- establish relationships with faculty who may be outside your own program;
- fulfill the GPHAP practicum requirement; and
- strengthen your resume.

If you are interested in working as a research assistant in health related project, please review available project forms. Once you find a project that you think is a good match, contact the faculty member directly to find out more information and arrange an interview. **Please CAREFULLY read the Q & A section below if you wish to pursue this opportunity.**

General Questions

Who is eligible to participate?

Both first year and second year GPHAP students are who are currently meeting GPHAP program requirements are eligible to apply for a research assistantship. Faculty members throughout campus are eligible to receive funds as long as the project is health care focused.

What do I do if I am interested in a research assistantship? How do I get selected for a research assistantship?

Once you identify a project you would like to work on, contact the faculty member directly. It is up to each individual faculty member to work out the details of the assistantship, including hiring and supervising.

How much money is available?

Generally, GPHAP will sponsor a student for \$1,200 per academic year, or 100 hours at \$12 per hour. Currently we have funding for 10 students to participate, but that is subject to review depending on the level of participation (GPHAP may in fact be able to sponsor more). Please note, some projects may have access to other funds that may allow for increased hours or pay, but such arrangements need to be negotiated on an individual basis.

*****PLEASE NOTE: GPHAP CANNOT COMPENSATE FOR HOURS WORKED BEYOND THE 100 HOURS PER ACADEMIC YEAR**

How will students get paid?

If you are eligible, it is important to apply for Work-Study as soon as possible. However, students who are not eligible for Work Study are encouraged to participate in the program.

Once an RA is selected, faculty members should contact Mary Stonor Saunders (702-1324) or mstonor@uchicago.edu confirming the student's name and work schedule. The student will then be

responsible for contacting Beverly Mason at SSA (702-1432) to arrange for payment. It is the responsibility of the individual faculty member to supervise the student and approve timecards.