

South Texas Oral Health Network (STOHN) Student Internship at UT Health San Antonio

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Position: STUDENT INTERN- Fall, Spring, or Summer Semester

Objective: The student intern will work closely with principal investigators, coordinators, and study staff. A variety of oral health topics are covered through this program, including but not limited to E-cigarette cessation, probiotics for oral health, oral ulcerations, xerostomia (dry mouth), and so on. The goal of the STOHN Student Internship is to provide learning experiences where concepts and skills gained through academic study can be applied to a work setting.

Course Outcomes: Students will assist in current ongoing studies in the office and participate in engaging community members; participate in weekly meetings, presentations, research papers, and take part in generating study materials as needed. By the end of the internship, the student will gain experience in:

- Research administration, including but not limited to research training, building communication skills, and recruitment and retention training
- Coordinating, such as assisting with the development of protocols, implementation of studies, and assisting in manuscripts for publication and presentations
- Marketing, including maintaining membership databases, developing promotional items to support meetings and studies, regular correspondence with practitioners, and newsletters
- Completing their research paper from a topic of their choice or as part of one of the studies they are involved in

Role and expectations:

The student intern will maintain a regular schedule of meetings with the site coordinator and/or supervisor. Pending on the student's class schedule, these meetings will be held at least once a week in order to review tasks, deadlines, and troubleshoot any issues that may arise.

The student intern will complete the necessary hours to earn credit for their program at UTSA.

The student intern will complete all necessary trainings prior to engaging in current research projects to be in accordance with IRB and other study regulations.

Two evaluations will be completed by the internship supervisor, Dr. Rahma Mungia. The first evaluation will be completed mid-way of the semester and a final evaluation at the end of the semester.

Schedule*

Weeks 1-4: Trainings

Weeks 5-8: Study Involvement, Mid-Semester Evaluation, and Research Paper Topic (if applicable)

Weeks 9-12: Continued Tasks

Weeks 13-16: Final Evaluation and Completion of Research Paper (if applicable)

*schedule is subject to change, any changes will be discussed with the internship supervisor