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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### Upcoming Dates

November 19	Michael Wyatt's "The Power of Public Speaking, " 3:30 pm in UL201, Sponsored by PHISA
November 19	GSU Government/Non-profit Career Fair Student Center Ballroom, 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm
November 20	Practicum Class, 10 am – 12:00 pm, UL839
November 25-30	Thanksgiving Holidays (no classes)
December 3	Grand Rounds, Lanier Suite, Student Center
December 5	Last Day of Class
December 6-12	Exam Period
December 15	Commencement, Georgia Dome, 6:00 pm
January 2	Last Day to Pay tuition & register for Spring without late fees
January 5	First Day of Spring Semester
<b>January 10</b>	<b>Deadline to register for Summer 2009 Graduation</b>

### Regents Name New Georgia State president

The Board of Regents has appointed Mark P. Becker, executive vice president for academic affairs and provost at the University of South Carolina, the next president of Georgia State University. For more details, visit:

<http://www.gsu.edu/presidentbecker/index.html>

### Prof. Russ Toal Discusses the New Administration's Healthcare Program at November Grand Rounds

President-elect Obama and Congress will undoubtedly wrangle with health care in 2009, but the action will go beyond the debate over health insurance coverage. Reform will also encompass public health measures, prevention efforts, beefed-up regulatory enforcement, and investment in health care technology claims Prof. Toal. For more details about this event, visit:

[http://www2.gsu.edu/~wwwexa/news/archive/2008/08\\_1106-healthcare.htm](http://www2.gsu.edu/~wwwexa/news/archive/2008/08_1106-healthcare.htm).

Visit <http://publichealth.gsu.edu/1574.html> for more details on Grand Rounds.

### IPH Researchers Investigate HIV Prevention Device in Africa

For some women in the poorest parts of the Kenyan capital of Nairobi, being paid for sex is one of the few ways they are able to feed themselves and their children. IPH researchers recently investigated whether these women, and their male clients, would accept a potential method of preventing HIV/AIDS which allows women to take control of their own health. Please visit the following link for more details: [http://www2.gsu.edu/~wwwexa/news/archive/2008/08\\_1111-hivprevention.htm](http://www2.gsu.edu/~wwwexa/news/archive/2008/08_1111-hivprevention.htm)

*New IPH Library  
Hours with Todd  
Prussin*

*Urban Life, Room  
928*

*Thursdays, 11:00 am  
– 1:00 pm*

## PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

### **GSU Government and Non-Profit Career Fair**

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Noon-3:00 pm

GSU

Student Center Ballroom

DRESS FOR SUCCESS

For more information, visit

[www.gsu.edu/career](http://www.gsu.edu/career) or 404/413-1830

### **Job Search Seminar for International Students**

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

245 University Center

For more information, visit

[www.gsu.edu/career](http://www.gsu.edu/career) or 404/413-1830

### **World Health Organization Internship Opportunities – NEW POSTING**

Deadline: December 1 - January 31 for Summer Internships;

September 1 -October 31 for Winter Internships

To take part in the programme, the WHO looks for the following minimum eligibility criteria:

- \*Applicants must be enrolled in a degree programme in a graduate school (second university degree or higher) both at the time of application and during the internship
- \*Applicants pursuing their studies in countries where higher education is not divided into undergraduate and graduate stages must have completed at least three years of full-time studies at a university or equivalent institution towards the completion of a degree.
- \*A minimum of 20 years of age
- \*Possess a first degree in a public health, medical or social field related to the technical work of WHO.
- \*Fluent in the working language of the office of assignment

For more information, including conditions of the internship and to apply,

<http://www.who.int/employment/internship/interns/en/index.html>

### **HEALTH RESEARCH ANALYST - EXPERIENCED EVALUATOR – NEW POSTING**

Job #62961

Job Description:

Experienced Mid to Senior Evaluator is needed to support the CDC's Division of Oral Health in Atlanta, GA.

MPh: Required

Ph.D/MD: Desired/Preferred

For immediate consideration, send your resume and cover letter to [Brenda.Sherman-Sanders@ngc.com](mailto:Brenda.Sherman-Sanders@ngc.com)

Or apply to <http://www.it.northropgrumman.com/itcareers.html> - Search for Job # 62961

## PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

### **HHS Emerging Leaders Program**

The Emerging Leaders Program (ELP) is designed to recruit high potential employees and provide fast track development highlighting leadership and business skills through experiential learning and training. This Program is one of the recruitment tools used by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to hire exceptional interns with a variety of backgrounds for the effective analysis and execution of our programs. The Program recruits for GS-9 level positions in the following career tracks; Administrative, Information Technology, Public Health, Scientific, and Social Science. Please see the following link: <http://hhsu.learning.hhs.gov/elp/>

### **The Center of Excellence for Sexual Health 2009-2010 Sexual Health Scholars' Program**

The CESH Scholars' tenure will run 10 months beginning August 3, 2009 and ending June 4, 2010. Scholars are expected to reside in the Atlanta area for the duration of the program. Each scholar will receive a \$35,000 stipend plus health care coverage through Morehouse School of Medicine. The scholars will be instructed by a multidisciplinary faculty of experts in sexuality, medicine, community leadership, and public health.

Applications are available August 25, 2008 through November 24, 2008 at <http://cesh.msm.edu> Contact Carey R. Bayer, EdD, RN, CESH Scholars' Program Director at [cbayer@msm.edu](mailto:cbayer@msm.edu) with questions.

## CONFERENCES / MEETINGS

### **NATIONAL Student Safety Summit, New York City – NEW POSTING**

The NATIONAL Student Safety Summit will be held on February 5-6, 2009 in New York City, and will feature real-world simulations of community response to school violence and related tragedies.

Registration in this link; [http://www.comfori.com/nsss/nsss\\_registration\\_form.pdf](http://www.comfori.com/nsss/nsss_registration_form.pdf) and return via FAX 213-559-8700 *Register Today! ...Special Promotional Rate Applies Through November 30, 2008*

### **2nd National Student Safety & Security Conference November 20 - 21, 2008 in Las Vegas, Nevada**

Nearly 500 safety experts representing schools, government agencies and school organizations gathered in last year's event that was featured in CBS News and other media outlets throughout the state. This year, the conference will give you hands-on experience as our experts share real life scenarios during break-out sessions and table top exercises. Learn different strategies in the areas of prevention, preparedness, response and recovery. Attendees will be given the option to attend the first day or second day but we will highly appreciate if you will attend the two-day conference.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-536-5000 or email [clewis@nfemail.com](mailto:clewis@nfemail.com) and [christine.lewis@new-fields.net](mailto:christine.lewis@new-fields.net)

To register for this event simple fill in the registration form and fax it to 202- 280-1239. For more information on the event, please visit [WWW.new-fields.com/nsssc2/](http://WWW.new-fields.com/nsssc2/)

### **GPHA Meeting – NEW POSTING**

Due to the cancellation of the 79th Annual Meeting and Conference in Savannah, there will be an informational meeting of the Georgia Public Health Association held on Wednesday, December 17, 2008 on the Macon campus of Mercer University. There will be no registration fee. The executive board will meet from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The general session will be held in the President's Dining Room of the University Center and begin at 1:00 p.m. Board elections will be held and GPHA president W. Douglas Skelton, M.D., will address the membership. Only paid and honorary members will be eligible to vote. If your membership dues are not up-to-date, you can renew them online at [www.gapha.org](http://www.gapha.org). The meeting will conclude at 3:00 p.m.

To register, send an e-mail with your name and contact information to [director@gapha.org](mailto:director@gapha.org)

Further information will be posted on the GPHA website as it becomes available.

Please feel free to call (404) 294-3871 if you have questions.

## CONFERENCES / MEETINGS

### **2009 National Leadership Summit on Eliminating Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health**

The Office of Minority Health (OMH), Department of Health and Human Services, issues this Call for Abstracts for oral and poster presentations as part of the Third National Leadership Summit on Eliminating Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities. The Summit will include sessions which highlight progress, challenges, and opportunities for improving the health of minority populations since the release of the 1985 "Report of the Secretary's Task Force on Black and Minority Health." For more information about the NPA, please visit <http://www.omhrc.gov/npa>.

### **Society for Advancement of Violence & Injury Research National Meeting March 5-6, 2009**

The 2009 Society for Advancement of Violence and Injury Research National Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia is being co-sponsored by the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, the Emory Center for Injury Control, and SAVIR. The Pre-Conference workshop I is March 4, 2009; and an Opening reception March 5th, 2009 at the Carter Center.

This year's theme is: "From Discovery to Practice: Innovative Translational Approaches to Injury Prevention and Care"

## FELLOWSHIPS / SCHOLARSHIPS

### **The Villers Fellowship. The application deadline for the Villers Fellowship is January 15, 2009.**

The Villers Fellowship for Health Care Justice ( <http://www.familiesusa.org/about/the-villers-fellowship.html> ) was created in 2005 by Philippe Villers, Founder and President of Families USA. Villers Fellows will conduct research on a range of health care policy issues, and write and contribute to publications that are relevant to current health policy debates.

Visit: <http://www.familiesusa.org/about/the-villers-fellowship.html> for more information.

If you have any questions about the Villers Fellowship for Health Care Justice or would like to request hard copies of the application brochure, please email: [villersfellowship@familiesusa.org](mailto:villersfellowship@familiesusa.org).

### **The Wellstone Fellowship. The application deadline for the Wellstone Fellowship is February 6, 2009.**

The Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice ( <http://www.familiesusa.org/about/wellstone-fellowship.html> ) aims to advance social justice through health care advocacy by focusing particularly on the unique challenges facing communities of color. Through this fellowship, established to honor the memory of the late Senator Paul D. Wellstone, the hope is to expand the pool of talented social justice advocates from underrepresented racial and ethnic minority groups.

You can find more information, including a downloadable application form, on our Web site: <http://www.familiesusa.org/about/wellstone-fellowship.html>

If you have any questions about the Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice please email: [wellstonefellowship@familiesusa.org](mailto:wellstonefellowship@familiesusa.org).

Both fellowships are year-long, full-time, salaried positions at our office in Washington, DC. Each year, one candidate will be selected for each fellowship. Selected fellows will receive a compensatory package that includes an annual salary of \$35,000 and excellent health care benefits.

### **Southeast Regional Network Fellowship**

Applications are now open for the Environmental Leadership Program's 2009 Southeast Regional Network Fellowship class. For more information about our Fellowship program contact Cerise Bridges at 205.532.1719 or visit <http://www.elpNet.org/southeastnetwork/process.php>

### **NCHS/AcademyHealth Health Policy Fellowship**

#### **Call for Applications due January 5, 2009**

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention's National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) and AcademyHealth are seeking applications for their 2009 Health Policy Fellowship. The aim of the fellowship is to foster collaboration between NCHS staff and visiting scholars. The fellowship allows scholars to conduct new and innovative analyses and participate in developmental and health policy activities related to the design and content of future NCHS surveys and offers access to the data resources (<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/express.htm>) provided by the CDC. Applicants may be at any stage in their careers--from doctoral students to senior investigators. To learn more about the fellowship, download the application, or view past fellows' profiles, visit the AcademyHealth Web site at [www.academyhealth.org/nchs](http://www.academyhealth.org/nchs).

## ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Notice to CPH Students

**Certificate students must submit the following form:**

<http://publichealth.gsu.edu/pdf/GCPHApplication.pdf> prior to completing the certificate program. The form should be submitted to the Graduate Coordinator, Courtney Burton.

### Selecting a MPH Specialty Track and Program of Study

By the end of the second semester or after completing required courses, whichever comes first, MPH students must select a specialty track. Selection should be done in consultation with the student's faculty advisor. At the time of selection, a Program of Study (POS) form should be filed by the student. The POS may be updated from time to time as course work progresses. Please see the IPH Graduate Student Handbook for further details and an example of the Program of Study worksheet: <http://publichealth.gsu.edu/pdf/IPHhandbookspring08.pdf>

### SAS Software

IS&T has received authorization from SAS Inc. to distribute the SAS analytics software to Georgia State students. SAS version 9.1.3 is available for \$30 per copy, which just covers the cost of the CD and duplication. For more information, contact the Help Center at (404) 413-HELP(4357).

### Computer Lab

The College of Health & Human Sciences Computer Lab in the Urban Life Building, Room 955 is available for use by all CHHS students (including MPH students) during normal operating hours.

You merely need to have your student ID with you. Normal operating hours are Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 am - 7:30 pm and Fri. 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. These hours are subject to change periodically, as the lab is sometimes closed for departmental testing or maintenance.

### Library Resources for PH Students

Todd Prusin, the College of Health and Human Sciences librarian, will hold research assistance "office hours" in the IPH office suite student/GRA computer lab on Wednesdays from 1-3 PM.

See Todd's website at: <http://www.library.gsu.edu/people/index.asp?ID=225>.

### GSU Online Writing Resources

<http://www.wac.gsu.edu/23793.html>

### ASPH Recommended Reading From The Schools of Public Health

[http://fridayletter.asph.org/article\\_view.cfm?FLE\\_Index=6541&FL\\_Index=1498](http://fridayletter.asph.org/article_view.cfm?FLE_Index=6541&FL_Index=1498)

### Internship/Scholarship website

<http://socrates.berkeley.edu/~cphpweb/career/fellowships.html>

