DISC RESEARCH INTERNSHIP

COMMITMENT
Spring, Summer, and/or Fall 2021

UNITS
3 or 4 units per quarter (9 or 12 hours per week)

CONTACT
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Must send a resume and one-page cover letter summarizing why you are qualified for this position

DESCRIPTION
The DISC Research Intern will support research and evaluation activities for the newly established UC San Diego ACTRI Dissemination and Implementation Science Center (DISC) focusing on dissemination and implementation science across UC San Diego Health Sciences. The DISC Media position will work closely with Clare Viglione, DISC Manager, and Dr. Borsika Rabin, Co-Director of the DISC, and other members of the Executive Team (Drs. Nicole Stadnick, Gregory Aarons, Lauren Brookman-Frazee) to support DISC program evaluation activities such as development of DISC surveys and metrics, refinement of DISC tracking and evaluation system, data collection and analysis.

In addition to helping with DISC activities, those interested have the opportunity to do community-based implementation fieldwork. UC San Diego DISC and The Global Action Research Center (TheGlobalActionResearchCenter.org) are working together to build Dissemination and Implementation Science activities in communities. The Global Action Research Center “is a social change organization that works to connect grassroots organizing to policy makers and researchers by helping people get the resources and support necessary to meaningfully participate in the decision-making and dialogue around their communities.” Through training, this approach will help the observer/intern develop and improve leadership skills and gain experience in the San Diego community while providing thoughtful evaluations and reflections for community engagement. If you are interested in this role, please speak to this interest in your cover letter.

REQUIREMENTS

- Interest in dissemination and implementation science, community-based participatory research, psychology, program evaluation, public health, health promotion etc.
- Demonstration of attention to detail is a must in order to ensure the quality of data collection and analysis
- Willingness to learn new research and evaluation tools such as REDCap, Qualtrics, and/or Balanced Scorecard Framework
- Minimum GPA of 3.0
- Upper-division standing
- Minimum 2 quarters commitment required with interest and/or openness in continuing through 3-4 quarters
- Ability to participate in regular Zoom team meetings (Note: weekly intern meetings typically held on Fridays at 3:00pm)

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Support DISC program evaluation activities such as development of DISC surveys and metrics, data collection and analysis
- Support development of data visualizations and infographics using Canva, Powerpoint, etc.
- Conduct review of the D&I literature and identify examples of D&I model use
- Support implementation science systematic research reviews and literature reviews
- May conduct program evaluation of community-engaged projects through DISC partner organizations such as the Global Action Research Center (theglobalarc.org)
- Depending on the project, complete required Institutional Review Board CITI trainings
- Depending on intern interest, projects may require fieldwork in San Diego, California