

IDA INTERSHIP PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Internship Title: Student Intern.

Department Name: Iowa Department on Aging.

Number of Interns Needed: Multiple.

Hourly Salary (or unpaid): Unpaid.

Hours Per Week: Flexible.

Duties: Assist with a variety of projects including special projects of interest to the department.

Coursework: Geriatrics, Administration, Political Science, Nutrition, Health, Social Work etc.

Requirements: College Student with course work in various disciplines both under graduate and graduate.

Start Date: Varies.

Length of Internship: Continually.

Department Contact: Minnie Mallard, Iowa Department on Aging, 515-725-3322.

How To Apply: Mail or E-mail Cover Letter, Application and Resume to Minnie Mallard, Iowa Department on Aging, Jessie M. Parker Building-East, 510 E. 12th Street-Suite 2, Des Moines, IA, 50319-9025, minnie.mallard@iowa.gov.

IDA 2009/2010 Intern Opportunities

1. **Healthy Links Evaluator.** The Iowa Healthy Links Program needs an Intern to jointly work with Des Moines University and the Iowa Department on Aging on data collection process evaluation and internet content for the Iowa Healthy Links website. The desired student should be a graduate and have a background in Health Science and Gerontology. The Intern would work directly with the Iowa Healthy Links Project Director assisting in the quality control and implementation of three evidence based programs; Chronic Disease Self Management Program (CDSMP), Enhance Fitness (EF) and Matter of Balance (MOB) in the 42 Iowa counties involved in the program. **(Position Filled)**
2. **Assessment Tool Developer.** An Intern to develop a standard assessment tool for the Iowa Family Caregiver Program. The project would include identifying best practices and developing an Iowa specific tool that the Area Agencies on Aging will use to determine the service and support needs by Individual Family Caregivers. This would probably be a one semester project for a social worker, nursing or other human service student in the field of Gerontology. The Intern would work with the IDA Family Caregiver Program Manager. **(A Fall Internship is preferred.)**
3. **Nutrition Program Surveyor.** An Intern is needed to build upon a partially developed project for expanding Congregate Meal Programs. The project includes the development and analysis of a web based survey and four focus groups of older adults. This is a graduate level project. The preferred candidate would be a Graduate Level Social Work Student with a background in Gerontology. The Department's Nutritionist would supervise the position.

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