CREATING FUTURE POSSIBILITIES IN PUBLIC HEALTH

RATIONALE & OBJECTIVES
The University of Michigan School of Public Health in cooperation with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Office of Minority Health and Health Equity (OMHHE) offers a public health pipeline program for college students. The Future Public Health Leaders Program (FPHLP) provides field placements, skill building workshops, and mentorship.

FPHLP is designed to offer stimulating opportunities for awareness, learning and growth in public health. The ultimate goal is to increase the public health workforce diversity and people committed to reducing health disparities.

FPHLP LEARNING OBJECTIVES
- Promote and introduce public health careers to college students.
- Strengthen and broaden leadership for addressing health equity.
- Increase awareness of health disparities and its impact on the nation.
- Build practical experiences to enhance the student's professional credentials.
- Develop a baseline understanding of the political, social and cultural context within which public health activities are conducted.

CDC UNDERGRADUATE PUBLIC HEALTH SCHOLARS PROGRAM (CUPS)
The CDC's workforce training programs are designed to increase the number of frontline public health workers. The desired outcomes for the CDC and FPHLP are as follows:

1. Increased awareness of the significance of health disparities, their impact on the nation, and the actions necessary to improve the health outcomes for racial, ethnic and other populations.

2. Strengthen and broaden leadership for addressing health disparities at all levels.

3. Improve health and healthcare outcomes for underserved populations.

4. Improve cultural and linguistic competency for the future public health workforce.

For more information on CDC training programs:
http://www.cdc.gov/minorityhealth/internships/opportunities.html
FIELD PLACEMENT
FPHLP students are assigned to a field placement in a community-based/non-profit organization, governmental health organization or a health system in southeastern Michigan. Students are assigned a preceptor in the organization who is responsible for supervising and mentoring the student’s work and progress.

MENTORS
Two mentors are assigned to a cluster of students to provide professional guidance and support as well as help students form professional networks.

OPENING SESSION AT THE CDC IN ATLANTA
All students travel to Atlanta at the beginning of the program. The opening session provides an overview and orientation to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Additionally, participants have the opportunity to network with participants from the other CUPS sites.

SAMPLE INTERNSHIP PLACEMENTS
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) – Ann Arbor, MI
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) – Ann Arbor, MI
- Henry Ford Health System – Detroit, MI
- MHP (formerly Migrant Health Promotion)—Ypsilanti, MI
- YOUR Center – Flint, MI
- Monroe County Public Health Department – Monroe, MI

HOUSING
Students will reside in University of Michigan residential housing during the program. Housing is provided at no cost to the students.

STIPEND
Students will receive a stipend in three payments throughout the 10-weeks of the program.

TRANSPORTATION
Round-trip transportation to and from Ann Arbor is provided as well as to the CDC.

BUILD YOUR NETWORK
FPHLP brings together college students and recent graduates who are energized by exploring the possibilities within public health. FPHLP provides a foundation that builds a network of peers and professionals.

ELIGIBILITY
- Minimum 2.7 GPA
- U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or U.S. National
- Students who have completed at least two years (or equivalent) of undergraduate study from an accredited college or university in the U.S., Puerto Rico, or other U.S. territory
- Recent graduates are those who have completed their undergraduate program within five months of the start of the program
- Underrepresented individuals are strongly encouraged to apply

HOW TO APPLY
Visit the Future Public Health Leaders Program website — http://fphlp.sph.umich.edu for more information on how to apply.