



MULTNOMAH COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH INTERNSHIP AGREEMENT

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of an Environmental Health internship is twofold: 1) to develop stronger links between academic institutions and environmental health practices at the local level; and 2) to prepare students for the workforce. In doing so, MCEH hopes to create a larger workforce of employees who have practical “on-the-job” skills and are able to apply theory into workplace practice, from which to hire.

II. PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN ACADEMIA AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

In order to make the internship the best possible learning experience for the student, a true partnership needs to occur between the placing academic institution and Multnomah County Environmental Health Services.

It is the academic institution’s responsibility to teach the theoretical aspects of the student’s academic choice of study and to make sure the student will benefit from an internship experience with Multnomah County Environmental Health Services.

It is Multnomah County Environmental Health’s responsibility to provide an opportunity for the student to implement these ideas and theories into real job situations. Multnomah County Environmental Health will support the student in developing these skills by creating a positive, learning environment where the student will be able to practice the following:

- 1) Communication skills to effectively work with the general public, governmental agencies, community-based organizations, businesses, and other job related contacts.
- 2) Problem solving skills to learn how to apply ideas and academic theory to meet desired outcomes.
- 3) Analytical skills to learn how environmental health services are developed and implemented based on relevant, measurable data.
- 4) Organizational skills necessary to work on multiple tasks and ideas simultaneously so that deadlines are met.
- 5) Interpersonal skills to work collaboratively with fellow employees and management.
- 6) Academic environmental health theories to increase understanding how such concepts apply to real life situations.



the duration of _____'s internship. I also understand that
Student Name
this is a voluntary internship in which Multnomah County is unable to provide
reimbursement for internship activities.

Signature from Academic Institution

Date

B. I _____ agree to follow the confidentiality, safety, and
Student Name

employment policies of MCEH and understand that my internship can
be terminated if issues or conflicts arise that cannot be resolved.

Student Signature

Date