



MERIT Community Health Internship TA Job Description

Who We Are

MERIT Health Leadership Academy is a non-profit organization dedicated to transforming Baltimore City high school students into health care leaders by preparing them for success in college and beyond. MERIT Scholars cultivate a deep understanding of their individual roles in solving health disparities through three years of intensive programming including weekly Saturday sessions, summer internships, and longitudinal mentoring. Scholars graduate with a burning passion for achieving health equity, a clear vision of how to reach their goals, a toolkit of knowledge and skills necessary for earning undergraduate and graduate degrees, and a close-knit community of peers and mentors who will continue to work collaboratively toward their collective goal of becoming community change agents. For more information, please visit our website at www.meritbaltimore.org

Who We're Looking For

The "Community Health" Internship (CHI) teaching assistant will provide support to MERIT staff and instructors in implementing a five-week community health internship offered to rising senior scholars in the MERIT program. Scholars will spend each morning, Monday-Thursday, working at an internship site at community organizations in Baltimore City. Each afternoon, and all day on Friday, scholars will learn about health program planning, hear from public health professional guest speakers, attend public health oriented field trips, develop a personal project and more. The teaching assistant will work to ensure that 100% of MERIT Scholars meet their internship requirements.

Specific Qualifications

- High school graduate/college student with understanding of public health and issues related to social equity (highly preferred)
- Experience working with adolescents and/or high school students, preferably from low-income backgrounds (highly preferred).
- Experience teaching/tutoring (highly preferred).
- Exceptional communication (writing, speaking) and organization/tracking skills (required).
- Proficient in basic Microsoft Office Applications: Excel, Word, Powerpoint (required).

Location: Johns Hopkins Medical Campus, Baltimore, MD

Dates: Monday-Friday: June 13– August 6 (*July 4th off*)

Times: 9 am – 4 pm, Mondays – Thursdays; 8:30 am – 4 pm, Fridays

Compensation: TAs paid through the AmeriCorps VISTA Program. Stipend is \$2,300 + \$1,252.91 in the form of a Segal Educational Award (upon successful completion of the 8-week term).

Management: The CHI teaching assistant will report to MERIT's Program Director, High School Success.

How to Apply

1. Gather together your resume and cover letter. Please save the attachments as *FirstName.LastName.Resume* and *LastName.LastName.CoverLetter*.
2. Your cover letter should highlight: 1) Your content knowledge and familiarity with community health/engagement and/or non-profit work, 2) Your experiences in an education/teaching/facilitation environment, 3) Your experience working with students (Please specify student age, location, and context).
3. Apply by filling out the online application: <http://bit.ly/MERIT-Program-Staff-Application>. Indicate the position you are applying for as “Community HealthTeaching Assistant” from the application dropdown menu.

Hiring Steps:

1. **Interview:** If you are selected to proceed to the next step, you will be invited for a zoom or in-person interview. A follow-up interview or work sample may be requested as needed.
2. **Hiring Notification:** You will be notified of a final decision via email.

Contact: If you have any questions, please contact our Program Director, India Leach at india.leach@meritbaltimore.org or (410) 301-8693