

Health Studies and Public Health Internship Sites

Master Site List – Updated February 2026

This is a list of pre-approved internship sites. Other sites are subject to approval by the Internship Preparation Course (HS 4121) Instructor, the Administrator of Student Services, Jill Denniston, or both. It is important to schedule an appointment with Mrs. Denniston to discuss the site you are choosing. **If you find that a contact or phone number has changed, please let us know by contacting Brenda Watson, Internship Coordinator, at bwatson5@twu.edu.**

Unless otherwise indicated, the clinical (hospital) internship sites listed below require specific documentation that must be submitted to the School of Health Promotion & Kinesiology Administrator of Student Services and/or the Internship Coordinator. Please refer to the Health Studies & Public Health Internship/Practicum Manual for detailed instructions and additional information regarding each requirement.

Only those site requirements that have been mutually agreed upon for SHPK collection are outlined below. Internship sites may have requirements beyond those listed, and it is your responsibility to contact your site to determine and complete any additional obligations. Some sites require a drug screening and/or background check within 30 days prior to the internship start date; these sites are identified below under their contact information. If this applies to you, please contact the Administrator of Student Services, Jill Denniston.

Abilene-Taylor County Public Health

Kevin Pantoja
325-692-5600
kevin.pantoja@abilenetx.gov
850 N. 6th St.
Abilene, TX 79601
Requires:
Confirm onboarding requirements with the site

Alzheimer's Association – Houston and Southeast Texas Chapter

Mayeda Muna
713-314-1314
mkmuna@alz.org
6055 South Loop Fwy E
Houston, TX 77087
Requires:
● Background check may be requested by agency
● Drug screen may be requested by the facility at any time during internship.
● Facility may request records of immunizations
● Encourages students to have health insurance

Austin Public Health (City of Austin)

Sheila Williams
512-884-7209
sheila.williams@austintexas.gov
Requires:
● Background check may be requested by agency
● Drug screen can be requested by the facility at any time during internship.
● Facility may request records of immunizations
● Encourages students to have health insurance

BS&W Faith Community Health

Dr. Donna Stauber
254-202-1286
Donna.Stauber@BSWHealth.org
Elysa Matthea Franklin
ElysaMatthea.Franklin@BSWHealth.org
3500 Gaston Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75246
<https://www.bswhealth.com/about/spirtual-care/faith-community-health>
Requires (for all BSW locations):
● Background check
● 10-panel drug screen
● Current immunizations must be on file with TWU, including current flu vaccine and SARS CoV- documented series of two vaccinations (Pfizer or Moderna) or one vaccination (Johnson & Johnson)

Baylor Scott & White Health and Wellness
Center Juanita J. Craft Recreation Center

Pamela Broussard

214-865-3096

Pamela.Broussard@BSWHealth.org

4500 Spring Avenue

Dallas, TX 75210

Requires (for all BSW locations):

- Background check
- 10-panel drug screen
- Current immunizations must be on file with TWU, including current flu vaccine and SARS CoV- documented series of two vaccinations (Pfizer or Moderna) or one vaccination (Johnson & Johnson)

Dallas County Health & Human Services

LaShonda Worthey

Internship Program Manager

214-819-2186

Lworthey@dallascounty.org

Jasmine Johnson

Jasmine.Johnson@dallascounty.org

2377 N. Stemmons Freeway

Dallas, TX 75207

Requires:

- Background Check
- Drug Screen may be requested by the facility at any time during internship
- Facility may request Records of Immunizations
- Signed Workforce Confidentiality Agreement (get form from TWU)
- Signed Release and Waiver of Claims (get from TWU)

Dallas Healthy Start – Parkland Memorial

Hospital

(Please see PARKLAND HEALTHY START)

Denton County Friends of the Family

Brittany Jackson

940-387-5131 x 103

bjackson@dcfof.org

Denton, TX 76202

Use Website below to APPLY FOR INTERNSHIPS

<https://dcfof.org/internship-and-practicum/>

Requires:

- Background Check may be requested by facility
- Drug Screen may be requested by the facility at any time during internship
- Facility may request Records of Immunizations
- Encourages students to have health insurance.

Denton County Public Health

Yvette Ellis

940-349-349-2776

yvette.ellis@dentoncounty.gov

Alex Reed

940-349-2921

alex.reed@dentoncounty.gov

535 S. Loop 288, Suite 1003

Denton, TX 76201

<https://www.dentoncounty.gov/697/Internships>

(Internship Interest Form)

Students should submit applications to online Internship Interest Form

Requires:

- Background Check may be requested by facility
- Drug Screen may be requested by the facility at any time during internship
- Facility may request Records of Immunizations
- Encourages students to have health insurance.

Emana Corporation

Dr. Phat Pham

Founder & Managing Agent

214-383-2400 Office

214-317-8631 Cell

pham@mfigrp.com

3608 Tanner Lane

Richardson, TX 75082

Requires:

- Encourages students to have health insurance.

GiGi's Playhouse - Sugar Land

Down Syndrome Achievement Center

Christine Keenan

832-939-9919

ckeenan@gigisplayhouse.org

SugarLand@gigisplayhouse.org

<https://gigisplayhouse.org/sugarland/>

13003 Southwest Frwy. #170

Stafford, TX 77477

Requires:

- Background Check may be requested by facility
- Drug Screen may be requested at any time during internship.
- Facility may request records of Immunizations
- Encourages students to have health insurance

GiGi's Playhouse - Sugar Land East Shore

District Health Dept.

Barbara Naclerio

Health Coordinator

bnaclerio@esdhd.org

203-481-4233 ext. 569

688 E. Main St.

Branford, CT 06405

Requires:

- Background Check may be requested by facility
- Drug Screen may be requested at any time during internship
- Facility may request Records of Immunizations
- Encourages students to have health insurance

GiGi's Playhouse - Tampa

Down Syndrome Achievement Center

Gregory Voda

Program & Volunteer Coordinator

813-544-8000

gvoda@gigisplayhouse.org

www.gigisplayhouse.org/Tampa

3611 W. Hillsborough Ave., #200

Tampa, FL 33614

Requires:

- Background Check may be requested by facility
- Drug Screen may be requested at any time during the internship
- Facility may request Records of Immunizations
- Encourages students to have health insurance

Health Services of North Texas

Teri Johnson

Director of Communications

940-293-6009

tjohnson@healthntx.org

4401 N. I-35, Suite 312

Denton, TX 76207

813-544-8000 - Main #

Requires:

- Background Check may be requested by facility
- Drug Screen can be requested at any time during internship.
- Facility may request records of Immunizations.
- Encourages students to have health insurance.

Hope Cottage > 360 hrs

Gretchen Weaver

214-729-3573

gweaver@hopecottage.org

609 Texas Street

Dallas, TX 75204

Requires:

- Background Check may be requested by facility
- Drug Screen can be requested at any time during internship.
- Facility may request records of Immunizations.
- Encourages students to have health insurance

Hunt County Children's Advocacy

Center/Crisis Center of NE TX

Holly Robinson

903-454-9999

holly.robinson@ccnetx.org

2604 Lee St.

Greenville, TX 75401

Requires:

- Encourages students to have health insurance

Legacy Community Health

William Lyons

Sr. Manager of Program, SDOH

713-814-3595 - Direct Line

832-548-5000 - Main #

wlyons@legacycommunityhealth.org

5616 Lawndale St.

Houston, TX 77023

Additional Email for information:

HealthAdvocates@legacycommunityhealth.org

<https://www.legacycommunityhealth.org/sdoh/>

Requires:

- Background Check
- Drug Screen can be requested at any time during internship
- Immunizations must be on file with TWU.
- Encourages students to have health insurance
- CPR/BLS Certification

Legacy Midtown Park

Elizabeth Niksich-Contact

Director of Wellness

469-497-3817

eniksich@thelegacypmp.org

www.thelegacyseniorcommunities.org/legacymidtownpark/

Requires:

- Background Check may be requested by facility
- Drug Screen may be requested at any time during internship.
- Facility may request Records of Immunizations
- Encourages students to have health insurance.

Legacy - Willow Bend

Lorelei Pineda - Contact

Director of Resident Engagement

972-468-6215

lpineda@TheLegacyWB.org

6101 Ohio Drive

Plano, TX 75024

Requires:

- Background Check
- Drug Screen can be requested at any time during internship.
- Immunizations must be on file with TWU.
- Encourages students to have health insurance.

MHMR of Tarrant County

My Health My Resources

Gavron El-fil

817-335-3022

gavron.elfil@mhmrtc.org

2400 NW 24th St.

Ft. Worth, TX 76106

817-569-4414

Gavron.ElFil@mhmrtc.org

3840 Hulen St.

Ft. Worth, TX 76107

Requires:

- Background Check
- 10-panel drug screen
- Immunizations must be on file with TWU.

NAMI - NORTH TEXAS

National Alliance on Mental Illness – N. Texas

Kasey Smith

214-341-7133

KaseyS@NAMINorthTexas.org

Additional email below

info@NAMINorthtx.org

2812 Swiss Avenue

Dallas, TX 75204

www.naminorthtx.org

Requires:

- Background Check may be requested by facility
- Drug screen can be requested at any time during internship
- Facility may request Records of Immunizations
- Encourages students to have health insurance.

Nurtured TX

Tori Tanner

Executive Director

512-270-0004

hello@nurturedtx.org

5900 Balcomes Dr. #14839

Austin, TX 78731

Requires:

- Background Check
- Encourages students to have health insurance

Palo Pinto General Hospital

Jessica Ramsey

Dir. of Education

940-328-6240

400 S.W 25th Ave.

Mineral Wells, TX 76067

Requires:

- Background Check
- Drug Screen
- Immunizations must be on file with TWU.
- Encourages students to have health insurance

Parkland Healthy Start - Parkland Hospital

Workforce Development College Internship

Program

wdinternshipprograms@phhs.org

8435 Stemmons Frwy Ste 850

Dallas, TX 75247

Requires:

- Background Check within 30 days
- Drug Screen within 30 days
- Immunizations must be on file with TWU.
- Students must have proof of health insurance
- CPR/BLS certification

Partners in Parenting

Valerie Rios

val@pipaustin.org

512-665-4532

5540 N. Lamar Blvd.

Austin, TX 78756

Requires:

- Background Check
- Drug Screen
- Facility may request Records of Immunizations.
- Encourages students to have health insurance.

Prevent Blindness - Houston

Tiffany Ramos

tramos@pbtxas.org

Monica Guerrero

mguerrero@pbtxas.org

713-526-2559 ext 106

2180 North Loop West, Suite 435

Houston, TX 77018

Requires:

- Background Check
- Drug Screen
- Facility may request Records of Immunizations.
- Encourages students to have health insurance.

TWU SHS Health Promotion

Amy Allison

940-898-3887

aallison4@twu.edu

604 Administration Dr.- Jones Hall

Denton, TX 76204

See the link below for additional information

<https://twu.edu/health-promotion/internship/>

Spring and Fall internships only

Requires:

Confirm onboarding requirements with the site

Tarrant County Public Health (TCPH)

Martha Clark

Workforce & Organizational Development

Manager

maclark@tarrantcountytexas.gov

817-321-5349

1101 S. Main Street

Ft. Worth, TX 76104

Requires:

- Encourages students to have health insurance.

Texas Health & Human Services Commission

Department of State Health Services

Emily Herrington

Emily.Herrington@dshs.texas.gov

1100 W. 49th St. MC 1990

Austin, TX 78756

<https://www.dshs.texas.gov/practice-learning/internships/applications/>

Requires:

- Background Check with fingerprint
- Current immunizations must be on file with TWU, including current flu and COVID
- CPR/BLS certification

United Way of Denton County

Shelby Redondo

Director of Programs

shelby@unitedwaydenton.org

Olivia Williams

Chief Programs Officer

940-566-5851 (x112)

olivia@unitedwaydenton.org

1314 Teasley Lane

Denton, TX 75028

Link to Internship Application

<https://www.unitedwaydenton.org/internships>

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University Health Systems

Jennifer Northway

210-358-4295

Jennifer.Northway@uhs-sa.com

Injury Prevention Dept. MS #105-1

4502 Medical Drive

San Antonio, TX 78229

Requires:

- Background Check
- Drug Screen
- Immunizations must be on file with TWU.
- Students must have proof of health insurance.

Volunteers of America

Western Washington

Brenda Priest

425-212-5353

bpriest@voaww.org

Carina Contarini

ccontarini@voaww.org

2802 Broadway

Everett, WA 98203

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Williamson County & Cities Health District

Toriann Moore

512-248-3228

toriann.moore@wilcotx.gov

355 Texas Avenue

Round Rock, TX 78664

Please see the link below for internship information.

https://www.wcchd.org/about/human_resources/internships.php

Requires:

- Students must have proof of health insurance.