WHAT IS PSI? PSI is a program sponsored by the Mid-Atlantic Regional Training Center that provides Pitt Public Health students with an enhanced, “real world” practicum experience at the Allegheny County Health Department – an active local health department serving more than 1.2 million people. PSI is a unique opportunity to increase leadership and practical skills while making an important contribution to the county’s health, especially to those in medically underserved communities.

WHAT WILL I GET OUT OF PSI? PSI students complete a 200 hour practicum while working with public health practitioners. Flexible schedules are possible. In addition, PSI students attend seminars and engage in field experiences pertaining to a variety of topics, such as infectious disease programs, maternal and child health, air quality, and emergency preparedness. Toward the end of their experience, PSI students highlight their individual projects during a “Student Showcase” event attended by PSI site supervisors, the leadership of the Allegheny County Health Department, Pitt Public Health faculty, fellow PSI students, and others.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE? Current Pitt Public Health students (through the Summer 2016) with a GPA of 3.0 or higher in good academic standing can apply. Applicants can be full-time or part-time Pitt Public Health students, but they must have completed at least 20 hours of graduate level coursework to be considered.


WHERE CAN I GET ADDITIONAL INFORMATION? Please direct any questions to the Director of the Pittsburgh Summer Institute in Applied Health, Elizabeth Van Nostrand at schmidte@pitt.edu (412.383.2231).