

Opportunity Title: CDC Disaster Mortality Surveillance Fellowship

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Organization Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

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- A current resume/CV, including academic history, employment history, relevant experiences, and publication list
- One educational or professional recommendation. Your application will be considered incomplete, and will not be reviewed until one recommendation is submitted.

All documents must be in English or include an official English translation.

If you have questions, send an email to ORISE.CDC.NCEH@oraui.org. Please include the reference code for this opportunity in your email.

Application Deadline 8/18/2020 3:00:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

Description *Applications will be reviewed on a rolling-basis.

One research opportunity is currently available with the Division of Environmental Health Science and Practice (DEHSP) of the National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH) at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, Georgia.

The Health Studies Section within CDC's NCEH addresses environmental health disasters and emerging hazards by responding to natural and technological disasters, investigating outbreaks with suspected environmental or toxic etiology, and conducting applied epidemiologic studies to characterize health effects of environmental health disasters and emerging hazards. Disaster epidemiologists within the Health Studies Section collaborate with other CDC programs, external partners, and state, tribal, local, and territorial (STLT) public health agencies to improve processes for identifying and reporting disaster-related deaths and enhance capacity and quality of disaster-related mortality surveillance.

Under the guidance of a team of disaster epidemiologists, the selected participant will be involved in the following training opportunities in support of CDC's efforts to improve processes for identifying and reporting disaster-related deaths:

- Gain experience conducting research collaboratively and across disciplines to address a complex public health issue
 - Learn to manage multiple, complex activities simultaneously
 - Gain experience from CDC staff and external partners with scheduling and facilitating meetings and preparing minutes or summaries related to this project
- Review and summarize documents related to this project received from contractor such as data collection tools, technical approach and methods documents, standard operating procedures (SOPs), and training and reference materials
- Gain knowledge about how CDC builds public health capacity for preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural and human-induced disasters and emergencies by participating in



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technical assistance, trainings, response activities, and/or exercises

- Gain knowledge about development of training programs, resource materials, and communications materials intended for different professional audiences
- Improve skills in qualitative and quantitative data collection and analysis
- Improve skills in interpretation, synthesis, and dissemination of qualitative and quantitative information obtained from various sources (e.g., surveys, focus groups, literature reviews, and expert panel forums), including preparation of manuscripts for publication
- Improve presentation and oral communication skills by presenting on findings of this project at internal and external meetings and conferences



This program, administered by ORAU through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education, was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and CDC. The initial appointment can be up to one year, but may be renewed upon recommendation of CDC contingent on the availability of funds. The participant will receive a monthly stipend commensurate with educational level and experience. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. The appointment is full-time at CDC in the Atlanta, Georgia, area. Participants do not become employees of CDC, DOE or the program administrator, and there are no employment-related benefits.

Qualifications The qualified candidate should have received a master's or doctoral degree in one of the relevant fields, or be currently pursuing a doctoral degree. Degree must have been received within five years of the appointment start date.

Preferred skills:

- Training and hands-on experience in quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis
- Experience with synthesizing and summarizing scientific information
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Familiarity and/or interest in learning about disaster epidemiology, vital statistics, and medicolegal death investigation

Eligibility Requirements

- **Degree:** Master's Degree or Doctoral Degree.
- **Discipline(s):**
 - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** ([4](#) )
 - **Social and Behavioral Sciences** ([3](#) )

Affirmation I have received a master's or doctoral degree within the past 5 years, or am currently pursuing a doctoral degree.