



UM Graduate Programs in Public Health Sciences MPH, MSPH, and MD/MPH Programs

Funding Application Instructions for

SPRINGBOARD GRANT AWARD 2016-2017

WHY is this funding available?

- To foster innovative thinking in public health research and practice.
- To support MPH, MSPH and MD/MPH students in their efforts to address community or global public health issues through their capstone projects or thesis projects.
- To serve as a springboard for projects that have the potential for further growth and dissemination.

WHO is eligible?

- Applicant must:
 - Be enrolled in the MPH, MSPH, MD/MPH program.
 - Have completed at least 12 credits of coursework.
 - Accelerated MPH or MSPH students eligible but funding is contingent on passing at least 12 credits.
- Preference given to students who demonstrate that the project is taking them beyond the requirements of the program and towards a significant accomplishment in the field.

WHAT is the application criteria?

- Mentoring by a Capstone Faculty Advisor is required prior to submitting application.
- **ONLINE Application Link:** https://umiami.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_eb5i2XWvR0MxB4N
- You must adhere to application instructions and word limit. You may save/continue or submit when final. Only applications submitted by the deadline will be accepted.
- Submit an electronic version of a letter of support from the partner organization to the Capstone Manager ARS285@miami.edu by the final application deadline.

HOW much financial support is available?

- The funding level for a given project will be in the \$1,000 to \$7,000 range and will be determined by the review board for each applicant.

WHAT is required as a final deliverable?

- Submit photos documenting experience.
- Submit 2 progress reports on the project expenses and activities – *See due dates*
- Complete all required documentation for Capstone Project EPH681 or EPH699 Thesis.
- Create poster & abstract of Capstone Project or Thesis – *Poster workshops mandatory.*
- Present at the Annual Graduate Student Showcase in Spring 2016:
Audience may include Medical School and Department of Public Health Sciences students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members.

TIPS to a successful application:

- To encourage continuum, projects should include the support of other students and/or contribute to a previous Capstone Project or Thesis.
- Projects should have an attainable scope and be focused on achieving results.

DATES:

- **March 2, 2017** 2017 Student Showcase—5:00-7:00 pm CRB 9th Floor
- **Sept. 22, 2016** Info-session—2016 Application Q&A—CRB 989, 12:00 noon
- **Oct. 20, 2016** Application draft **DUE** to Advisor—*copy Capstone Manager*
- **Oct. 30, 2016** **FINAL APPLICATION DUE**—11:59 pm **ONLINE** submissions only.
- **Nov. 14, 2016** Awards Announcements
- **Nov. 18, 2016** Awards Luncheon—*Mandatory*
- **Nov. 18, 2016** Funds Distributed
- **Jan. 27, 2017** 1st Springboard Progress Report **DUE** to Advisor & Manager
- **Spring 2017 semester** (TBA) Poster workshop sessions—*Mandatory*
- **Spring 2017 semester** (TBA) Poster and Abstract final versions **DUE**
- **Spring 2017 semester** 2017 Student Showcase (Poster Presentation)—*Mandatory*
- **April 9, 2017** 2nd Springboard Progress Report **DUE** to Advisor



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- **End of Spring 2017**..... Capstone Final Report **DUE** to Advisor—*At minimum, 2 weeks prior to end of semester*