Public Health Workforce Scholarships

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Public Health Workforce Scholarship Goals

- Improve retention and promotion/upskill of governmental public health staff

- Provide tuition and fee reimbursement to state and local government public health employees to upskill and advance through the public health workforce pipeline

- Encourage the pursuit of public health education: courses, certificates, and degrees

- Provide an opportunity to complete credits that transfer to full degree programs

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BIOSTATISTICS & EPIDEMIOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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Scholarship Opportunities: Biostatistics & Epidemiology

- MS in Health Analytics and Biostatistics (MS-HAB)
  - 36 credit on-campus program

- MPH in Epidemiology (MPH-Epi)
  - 42 credit on-campus program

- Certificate in Epidemiology and Biostatistics
  - 12 credits (online and evenings)
  - Transferable to MS-HAB and MPH-Epi

- Individual courses for public health workforce currently enrolled in degree programs

- Analytic programming seminar courses (e.g., R, SAS, Python, Data Visualization)

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MS-HAB & MPH-Epi Requirements

- 3.0+ GPA
- Undergraduate course in statistics
- Official transcripts
- 2 letters of recommendation
- Statement of purpose
- Resume or CV

MS-HAB & MPH-Epi Application

Complete SOPHAS Application by April 30

- https://sophas.org/
- $145 application fee
- Submit transcripts, letters of recommendation, statement of purpose and resume/CV here

Submit Scholarship Application by April 30

- Biostatistics and Epidemiology Scholarship Application Form
- Make sure you include the letter of support from your supervisor

Epidemiology and Biostatistics Certificate Requirements & Application
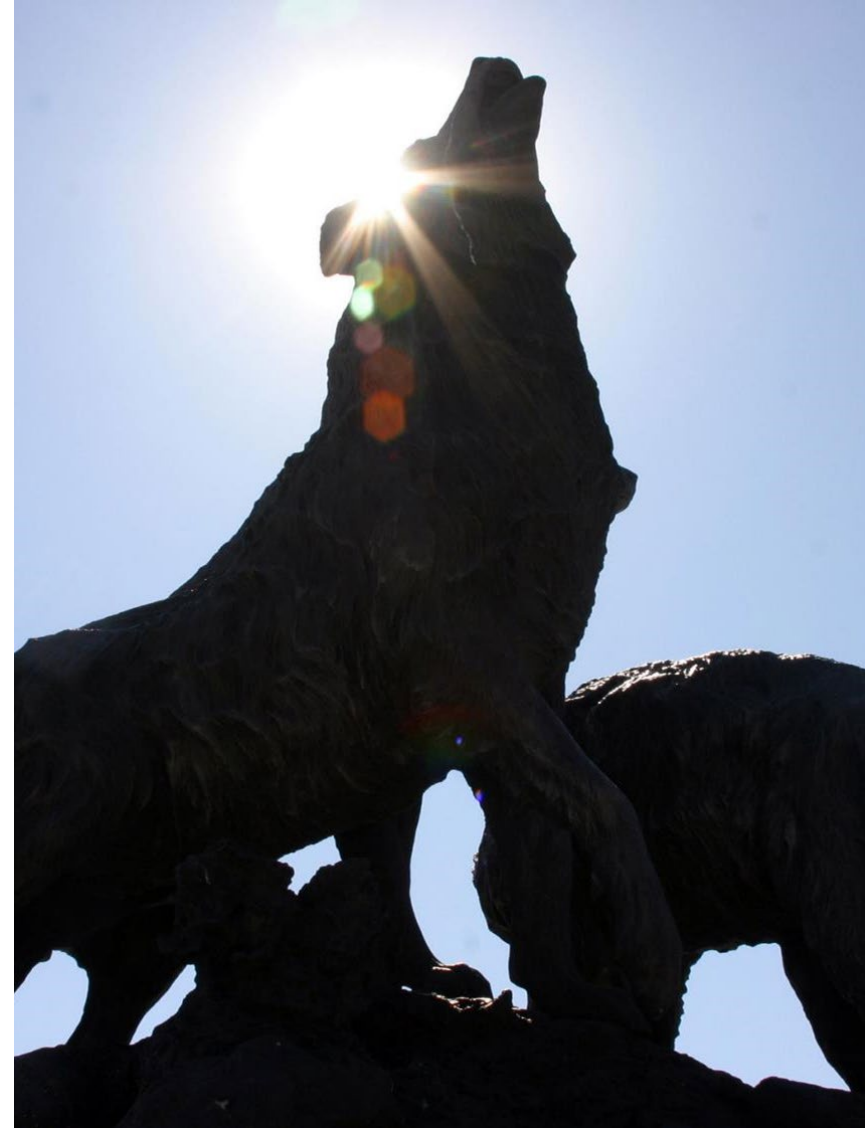
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Complete Graduate School Application by April 30

- Graduate School's online application portal
- Create an account
- Fill out simple application

Submit a Scholarship Application by April 30

- Biostatistics and Epidemiology Scholarship Application Form
- Make sure to upload a letter of support from your supervisor

Epidemiology and Biostatistics Single Course(s) Application for Currently Enrolled Students

Requirements

- Good standing in current graduate program (GPA 3.0 or higher)

Submit Scholarship Application by April 30

- Biostatistics and Epidemiology Scholarship Application Form

- Make sure you upload a letter of support from your supervisor

Analytic Programming Seminar Requirements and Application

Requirements

- Bachelor's degree
- Undergraduate statistics course

Non-Degree-Seeking Students: Complete a Graduate Special Application by Posted Deadlines

- https://www.unr.edu/grad/admissions/graduate-special

Submit Scholarship Application by April 30

- Summer Session 1: R programming
- Summer Session 2: Data Visualization

Selection Criteria

- Years of service at a public health agency in Nevada
- Individual and organizational benefit
- Letter of support from your supervisor
    - Statement of supervisor willingness to allow flexibility in schedule to accommodate academic studies
- Commitment to working in public health in Nevada
- Professional goals statement
- First generation students
- Under-represented populations experiencing health disparities

Questions

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