MPH INTERNSHIPS: PRODUCTS & COMPETENCIES

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What are Products?

Products are tangible deliverables that students create during their internship to benefit the community partner while demonstrating graduate-level work and competency. Examples include reports, presentations, assessment plans, policy briefs, and educational materials.









Competencies products. Products







What are competencies?

MPH foundational competencies are the core skills and knowledge expected of all public health professionals, regardless of their specific area of specialization, designed to equip graduates with the ability to effectively address public health challenges and promote health equity. The internship requires students to demonstrate five MPH Foundational Competencies in their

FIVE SIMPLE STEPS TO ALIGN COMPETENCIES

Meet with your preceptor and decide on two different work products that will support your internship project. Ensure these products address different aspects or components of your project (rather than duplicating identical content) and can be uploaded for review.





On your own, outline the specific work required for each product. For analytical products like analysis reports, consider what analysis you will conduct, what methods you will use, and what software you will employ. For educational materials, identify your target audience and determine how you will create and deliver the content.

Review the foundational competencies list on the APEx website and choose those that will be clearly demonstrated through your products and work. You need a minimum of 5 competencies demonstrated across your 2 products (for example: 2 competencies aligned with one product, 3 with the other).





For each competency-product pairing, write 3 - 4 detailed and complete sentences explaining how you plan to demonstrate that specific competency through the work product. Reference the methods, approaches, and processes you outlined in step 2 to support your explanations.

Submit your completed proposal in the APEx portal for approval by both your preceptor and internship faculty instructor. Once both have approved your proposal, you will be cleared to register for PUH 688.

