



**Health Promotion
& Youth Substance Misuse Prevention Internship
Worcester Division of Public Health
Summer 2026**

***Bilingual applicants are encouraged to apply.
This internship is available for academic credit or experience.
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The Office of Health Promotion & Community Strategist (HP&CS) within the Worcester Division of Public Health is seeking college and university students for a summer internship focused on health promotion and youth substance use prevention. This role supports the implementation of the MassCALL3 program, which aims to delay the onset of substance use among youth by promoting Positive Childhood Experiences (PCEs) through the HOPE (Healthy Outcomes from Positive Experiences) framework.

Interns will contribute to data-informed community engagement, assist with educational initiatives, and help strengthen partnerships that support youth well-being across Worcester. This opportunity is ideal for students pursuing public health or related fields who are interested in behavioral health, prevention science, and equity-centered approaches to community health.

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ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS:

- Support implementation of youth substance use prevention strategies aligned with the MassCALL3 program
- Assist in developing and distributing educational materials grounded in the HOPE framework
- Participate in data-informed community outreach and engagement efforts
- Support the building and maintain relationships with youth-serving organizations, schools, and community partners
- Support planning and facilitation of training, workshops, or presentations related to positive youth development and prevention
- Contribute to program evaluation efforts, including data collection and summary of findings

- Identify opportunities to expand positive experiences for youth within community settings

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

- Interest or experience in public health, health promotion, behavioral health, or youth development
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills, with the ability to engage in diverse communities
- Ability to work both independently and collaboratively in a team environment
- Organizational skills and attention to detail
- Ability to translate complex health information into accessible educational materials
- Cultural humility and commitment to equity in public health practice
- Basic computer skills (e.g., Microsoft Office, Google Workspace, or similar tools)

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

- Current undergraduate or graduate student enrolled in a college or university program (public health or related field preferred)
- Availability to commit to the Summer 2026 internship period
- Reliable transportation or ability to travel within Worcester for community-based work

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Coursework or experience in public health, psychology, social work, education, or a related field
- Computer proficiency
- Bilingual or multilingual skills