

Research Internships and Volunteer Opportunities

Location: 250 W 26th St. Manhattan CHEST hours of Operation: M-Th: 9am to 9pm and F: 9am to 5pm

The **Center for HIV/AIDS Educational Studies and Training (CHEST)** is always looking for enthusiastic individuals willing to volunteer their time as an intern or volunteer. *Please note that all internship and volunteer opportunities are unpaid.*

Ongoing Projects & Opportunities for Interns/Volunteers

- Get exposed to qualitative research through transcribing interviews on topics like drug use, sexual behavior, sexual identity and gender identity.
- Enter quantitative data from study assessments and learn about HIV and sexual risk behaviors.
- Help to manage ongoing research studies by: screening, calling, and recruiting participants
- Train with and help other researchers to do various tasks
- Assist in literature search for papers and grants that focus on drugs, sexuality and HIV.

Please note that due to the level of training and time commitment required, interns and volunteers do not engage in counseling or outreach directly with study participants.

Volunteer Work

Volunteers are asked to commit a minimum of 4 hours per week.

Internships through CUNY

Hunter College Undergraduate Students:

1. Independent Study (Psych 201) – 90 hrs/semester. Write a short paper about your experiences.
2. Independent Research (Psych 395) – 60 hrs/semester. Write a longer paper based on data that you've been working with. *Only for those who complete Psych 201.*
3. Honor Thesis I & II (Psych 396/398) – 45 hrs/semester. Write a research paper using CHEST data and go on to graduate with departmental honors. *Most students spend two semesters working on this.*

Send CV and cover letter to Dasha Kouznetsova - dkouznetsova@chestnyc.org



CUNY Graduate Center Students: Send CV and cover letter to - dkouznetsova@chestnyc.org

Brooklyn College Students: 90 hours/semester. Health and Nutrition Science Students register for HNS 83.1. Prior research experience is not necessary, but 12 credits of HNS coursework must be completed with at least a 3.0 GPA. Send CV and cover letter to Dr. Christian Grov - cgrov@brooklyn.cuny.edu

Other CUNY Students: If you are a Hunter Student (but your major/minor is not in Psychology), are a Brooklyn College Student (but your major is not Health and Nutrition), or are with a different CUNY school, you may still be eligible to register for an Internship via your department. Contact your department to see if they offer "Independent Study" or "Internship" Credits. You will register within your department; however your time will be spent here at CHEST. Send CV and cover letter to - dkouznetsova@chestnyc.org.

Other Academic Institutions: CHEST is delighted to work with Interns from academic institutions outside of the CUNY system (Graduate and Undergraduate). If you would like to receive credit for internship hours at CHEST, please consult with faculty advisors at your home institution. Please review our list of ongoing research studies. Send CV and cover letter to - dkouznetsova@chestnyc.org