

A few examples of **Social Work (administration)**
Placements available through
The Philadelphia Center

Abramson Center; Research Intern: The Madlyn and Leonard Abramson Center for Jewish Life (formerly the Philadelphia Geriatric Center) is one of the nation's leading providers of care, education, training, and research in gerontology. Research assistants will likely interact directly with residents of the center's nursing home, gather research information on residents, enter and analyze this data, and may assist in interpreting the data, writing up study descriptions, and designing new studies. In addition, students interested in learning more about the role of psychologists in long-term care would have the opportunity to work collaboratively with a psychologist involved in doing clinical work as well as a psychologist involved in quality improvement activities. This placement site is ideal for students interested in exploring applied research in geriatrics. Link to the center's research webpage at www.abramsoncenter.org/pri for additional information regarding the center's current research activities, which include projects related to palliative care, dementia care, and enhancing quality of life for frail elders.

Achievability; Community Relations Intern: AchieveAbility is a private, nonsectarian, not for profit organization that helps low income, single parent and homeless families to reach self-sufficiency by providing comprehensive, intensive, supportive social services in tandem with decent and affordable housing. AchieveAbility helps disenfranchised families break the cycle of poverty and achieve self-sufficiency. The community development department undertakes projects to make the community safe, healthy, vibrant and technologically savvy so everyone can achieve his or her potential. Students may be exposed to: community organizing, workshop development and facilitation, event planning, writing, research, promotions, newsletters. The student will be exposed to various computer programs, hands on experience in community work, experience in a professional work environment, participation in staff meetings and training. The ideal candidate will be responsible, have excellent written and oral communication skills, honest, outgoing, computer literate, have outstanding interpersonal skills, be creative and detail-oriented.

Maternity Care Coalition; MOMobile: Maternity Care Coalition's mission is to improve maternal and child health and well being through the collaborative efforts of individuals, families, providers and communities. MCC's MOMobile Program began in 1989 as a community-based outreach and family support program for pregnant women, new parents, infants and their families. Community health workers called MOMobile Advocates help families negotiate health care and social service systems, linking them to prenatal care, pediatric and women's health care, no cost or low cost health insurance for children, behavioral health services, nutrition programs and other community resources. Advocates also

facilitate voter registration, cultural mediation and disseminate welfare to work information. Advocates provide health education (including HIV prevention and lead poisoning reduction) and case management to families through the new baby's first birthday. Students interested in social work, human service, public health, health, counseling, advocacy, and working with families would benefit from placement at the Maternity Care Coalition.

Pennsylvania Prison Society; Caseworker and Advocate: The Pennsylvania Prison Society, founded on fundamentals embedded in the United States Constitution, has been an unwavering voice for justice and humanity for more than two centuries. The Pennsylvania Prison Society's mission is to advocate for a humane, just and restorative correctional system, and to promote a rational approach to criminal justice issues. This reform agency works to improve state and county prisons and to promote alternatives to incarceration. Caseworker/Advocates are involved in prison visits, advocacy, community service, and professional publications. Student gains understanding of inmates, and families/friends of prisoners. Opportunity to learn about inmate rights and prison administration.

Philadelphia Health Management Corporation; Intern: Services to Assist Families to Excel (SAFE) is a case management and home visiting program for Philadelphia families with children with children from birth to age five. SAFE provides families with the information, resources and support they need to protect and nurture the health of their children. Trained home visitors work closely with parents and other caregivers to help them make good choices for the health of their families. They provide parenting education and support, help women access community resources and provide personalized care depending on individual needs. SAFE services are based on the nationally recognized Partners in Parenting Education (PIPE) curriculum. Interns will perform general office work, retrieve data from client files, recruit parents into the program, and accompany case managers into the field on home visits. The intern will also have the opportunity to attend training sessions.

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