UM Graduate Programs in Public Health Sciences
MPH, MSPH, and MD/MPH Programs

Funding Application Instructions for
SPRINGBOARD GRANT AWARD 2015

WHY is this funding available?
• To foster innovative thinking in public health research and practice.
• To support MPH, MSPH and MD/MPH students in their efforts to address community or global public health issues through their capstone projects or thesis projects.
• To serve as a springboard for projects that have the potential for further growth and dissemination.

WHO is eligible?
• Applicant must:
  o Be enrolled in the MPH, MSPH, MD/MPH program.
  o Have completed at least 12 credits of coursework.
• Preference given to students who demonstrate that the project is taking them beyond the requirements of the program and towards a significant accomplishment in the field.

WHAT is the application criteria?
• Mentoring by a Capstone Faculty Advisor is required prior to submitting application.
• ONLINE Application Link: [https://umiami.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_ehvrghl0KsPf8a1](https://umiami.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_ehvrghl0KsPf8a1)
• You must adhere to application instructions and word limit. You may save/continue or submit when final. Only applications submitted by the deadline will be accepted.
• Submit an electronic version of a letter of support from the partner organization to the Capstone Manager rverdeja@med.miami.edu by the final application deadline.

HOW much financial support is available?
• The funding level for a given project will be in the $1,000 to $7,000 range and will be determined by the review board for each applicant.

WHAT is required as a final deliverable?
• Submit photos documenting experience.
• Submit 2 progress reports on the project expenses and activities – See due dates
• Complete all required documentation for Capstone Project EPH681 or EPH699 Thesis.
• Create poster & abstract of Capstone Project or Thesis – Poster workshops mandatory.
• Present at the Annual Graduate Student Showcase in Spring 2016:
  Audience may include Medical School and Department of Public Health Sciences students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members.

TIPS to a successful application:
• To encourage continuum, projects should include the support of other students and/or contribute to a previous Capstone Project or Thesis.
• Projects should have an attainable scope and be focused on achieving results.

DATES:
• Feb 12, 2015................. 2014 Student Showcase—5:00-7:00 pm CRB 9th Floor
• Feb 16, 2015.................... Info-session—2015 Application Q&A—CRB 989, 12:00 noon
• Mar 19, 2015.................... Application draft DUE to Advisor—copy Capstone Manager
• April 9, 2015.................... FINAL APPLICATION DUE—11:45 pm ONLINE submissions only.
• April 28, 2015.................... Awards Announcements
• May 14, 2015.................... Awards Luncheon—Mandatory
• May 27, 2015.................... Funds Distributed
• Sep 10, 2015.................... 1st Springboard Progress Report DUE to Advisor & Manager
• Fall 2015 semester (TBA)..... Poster workshop sessions—Mandatory
• Fall 2015 semester (TBA)..... Poster and Abstract final versions DUE
• Spring 2016 semester........ Poster Session 2016 Presentation—Mandatory
• Feb 22, 2016.................... 2nd Springboard Progress Report DUE to Advisor
• End of Fall 2015.................. Capstone Final Report DUE to Advisor—At minimum, 2 weeks prior to end of semester

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