**Public and Community Health Careers**

There are a wide variety of careers/positions you can pursue with a bachelor’s degree in community/public health! As you are progressing through the degree, it’s also important to get hands-on, transferrable skills and experience that you can draw on while applying. Recommendations are:

* Volunteering at a local clinic, non-profit, nursing home, or hospital
	+ [**https://www.ou.edu/leadandvolunteer/volunteerism**](https://www.ou.edu/leadandvolunteer/volunteerism)
* Getting involved with leadership opportunities through OU student organizations
	+ [**https://www.ou.edu/studentlife/organizations/active**](https://www.ou.edu/studentlife/organizations/active)
* Finding internship positions using [**Handshake**](https://www.ou.edu/career/students/services/handshake)
* Getting involved in research with faculty
	+ *Attend faculty office hours and ask what kind of research they are involved with! You can search through the department’s website for faculty bios, and see if anyone is doing research that you are also interested in.*
	+ *For example, you can find the HES faculty profiles here:* [*https://www.ou.edu/cas/hes/people/faculty*](https://www.ou.edu/cas/hes/people/faculty)

**Start thinking about positions that sound interesting to you, using this website:**

* <https://whatcanidowiththismajor.com/major/majors/>
	+ Healthcare Sciences
	+ Human Services
	+ Nutrition
	+ Public Health

**Useful Links/Job Boards:**

* <https://jobapscloud.com/ok/> *(State Jobs in Oklahoma)*
* <https://ou.taleo.net/careersection/2/jobsearch.ftl?lang=en> *(OU Jobs)*
* <https://www.normanregional.com/careers> *(search using terms like population health)*
* <https://jobs.cdc.gov/COVID19hiring> *(COVID-19 positions, searchable by state)*
* <https://jobs.cdc.gov/> (CDC regular job board)
* <https://careers.apha.org/jobs/> (APHA job board)
* <https://publichealthjobs.org/>
* <https://www.idealist.org/en/?type=JOB>
* <https://explorehealthcareers.org/jobs/>
* [LinkedIn Jobs](https://www.linkedin.com/help/linkedin/answer/75815/applying-for-jobs-on-linkedin?lang=en)
* <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/home.htm> *(helpful statistics and salary information on different healthcare career options)*

**Examples of position titles to look for when searching for jobs with the State (OK):**

* Health Educator I
* Community Health Educator I
* Health Educator II
* Health Educator III (requires CHES)
* Public Health Specialist I
* Public Health Specialist II
* Communications Specialist
* Community Health Worker
* Obesity Prevention Consultant
* School Health Consultant
* Strategic Planner
* Tobacco Control Consultant
* Wellness Consultant
* Wellness Coordinator I

**Examples of position titles to look for when searching for jobs with OU:**

* Research Technician
* Research Project Coordinator
* Project Interviewer
* Case Manager
* Student Program Coordinator
* Patient Services Representative
* Program Administrator
* Administrative Coordinator