NC Office of Strategic Partnerships Monthly Connect
Opportunities from Colleges and Universities for Students to Assist State Agencies
Relevant Resources

This is a follow-up to the NC Office of Strategic Partnerships (OSP) February 2024 Monthly Connect: *Opportunities from Colleges and Universities for Students to Assist State Agencies* (recording).

OSP regularly shares information and resources after the Monthly Connect sessions. Typically, panelists or participants shared the information and resources in the virtual "chat." This is not intended to be a comprehensive list. More about the Monthly Connect series here.

Speakers at this Monthly Connect highlighted the following programs:
Master of Public Health Practicum (Meg Landfried, UNC Chapel Hill)
Master of Public Health Capstone (Meg Landfried, UNC Chapel Hill)
Public Health Internships (Rose Haddock, East Carolina University)
Global Health Institute Capstone and Applied Experience (Lysa Mackeen, Duke University)
Community Based Research on Early Childhood Policy and Practice (Katie Rosanbalm, Duke University)
Vocational Rehabilitation Internships (Paige Dunlap and Deja Barber, N.C. A&T State University)
Master of Geospatial Information Science and Technology Capstone (Eric Money, NC State University)
Institute for Advanced Analytics Practicum (Chris West, NC State University)
Applied Ethics + Summer Learning Experience (Buz Waitzkin, Duke University)
Master's in Interdisciplinary Data Science Capstone (Gregory Herschlag, Duke University)
Data + Summer Research Experience (Gregory Herschlag, Duke University)
Master of Public Administration Capstone (Jimmy Cockerham, Montreat College)
Master of Public Policy Capstone (Jeanne Bonds, UNC Chapel Hill)
Master of Public Policy Capstone (Ken Rogerson, Duke University)
Evaluation Design and Practice Community Partnerships (Jessica Sperling, Duke University)
College of Health and Human Performance Internships, Capstones, and Practica (Jennifer Cranford, East Carolina University)

Resources
Descriptions are in alphabetical order and paraphrased from active links as of March 6, 2024. Links are organized by agency/organization.

The NC Office of Strategic Partnerships developed this **Directory of Opportunities for Students to Assist State Agencies** to compile information about more than 50 opportunities from NC colleges and universities for students to partner with government. If you know of other programs that should be part of the directory, please send the information to partnerships@osbm.nc.gov. More about OSP below.

Duke University
- **Global Health Institute (GHI):** GHI brings together knowledge and resources from across the university to address important global health issues, seeking to achieve health equity for vulnerable groups and individuals. GHI Student Research Training Program project example.
- **Fuqua School of Business Master of Quantitative Management (MQM):** Designed for college graduates with strong quantitative backgrounds, the MQM program provides training in analytics and communication within the contexts of finance, marketing, risk, or strategy. MQM Capstone project.
- **Marketing and Management Certificate Program:** Helps prepare undergraduates for careers in business and management, banking, consulting, government, and the non-profit sector with an innovative approach to business education. Drawing on knowledge from disciplines including sociology, economics, political science, history, and business, the program exposes students to different organizational forms for

managing human resources, coordinating work, integrating technology, and using business networks in an increasingly competitive global economy. [Past capstone projects](#).

- **Sanford School Master of Public Policy (MPP):** The MPP Program aims to develop ethical and inclusive leaders who are committed to using evidence-based tools and rigorous analysis to solve public policy challenges and strengthen society through public service. [Evaluation Design and Practice Course - Information for Potential Community Partnerships](#).

East Carolina University
- **College of Health and Human Performance ([HHP](#)):** Comprised of six distinct Academic Units, Airforce, and Army ROTC Programs working to cultivate collaborative, hands-on educational experience for students. For more information, please contact Jennifer Cranford at cranfordj20@ecu.edu.

NC Office of Strategic Partnerships ([OSP](#))
OSP develops, launches, and enhances partnerships between state government and North Carolina's research and philanthropic sectors. This includes elevating state government's internal capacity to generate and use evidence in its policy and programmatic functions.
- The [North Carolina Project Portal](#) features opportunities for partnering with state agencies on their research needs and how to express interest in pursuing those opportunities.
- [Register](#) **for the April 11 OSP Government Research Partnerships Learning Forum:** This all-day event (hosted at the NC Museum of Art in Raleigh) will bring together representatives from across sectors to share examples of government-research and government-philanthropy partners and discuss/workshop aspects of partnership development, launch, and execution.

N.C. Agricultural & Technical State University
- **Vocational Rehabilitation Internships:** Contact Dr. Paige Dunlap, pdunlap@ncat.edu, for more information on Vocational Rehabilitation partnerships.

NC State University (NCSU)
- **Master of Geospatial Information Science and Technology ([MGIST](#)):** The MGIST program equips students with the knowledge and tools to become high-end geospatial professionals using a curriculum that leverages computational sciences, geographic information systems, and natural resources. Students gain professional skills in areas such as project management, group dynamics, and communication. [Capstone General Project Guidelines](#). Organizations interested in collaborating with the MGIST program should complete the [Community Partnerships Form](#).
- **Master of Science in Analytics ([MSA](#)):** The MSA program develops skills in mathematics, statistical programming, and working with data. [MSA Practicum](#): A team-based learning experience that gives students the opportunity to conduct real-world analytics projects using data from sponsor organizations.

UNC Chapel Hill
- **Gillings School of Global Public Health:** Works to improve public health, promote individual well-being and eliminate health inequities in North Carolina and around the world.
  - [Master's Capstone](#): A year-long service-learning course that gives students an opportunity to apply the knowledge and skills gained in the first year of the program by working in teams partnered with community-based organizations to address real-world public health problems. [Project example](#).
  - [Master's Practicum](#): 200 (minimum) hour planned, mentored, and evaluated applied practice experience (paid or unpaid) gives students an opportunity to use their Gillings MPH training in a professional public health setting. [Practicum preceptor information](#). To request your practicum opportunity be added to the MPH Practicum opportunities database, complete the [Opportunity Submission Form](#).