

Opportunity Title: CDC GRASP Communications Fellowship

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Organization Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

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How to Apply *To submit your application, scroll to the bottom of this opportunity and click **APPLY**.*

A complete application consists of:

- An application
- Transcripts – [Click here for detailed information about acceptable transcripts](#)
- A current resume/CV, including academic history, employment history, relevant experiences, and publication list
- One educational or professional recommendation. Your application will be considered incomplete, and will not be reviewed until one recommendation is submitted.

All documents must be in English or include an official English translation.

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Description *Applications will be reviewed on a rolling-basis.

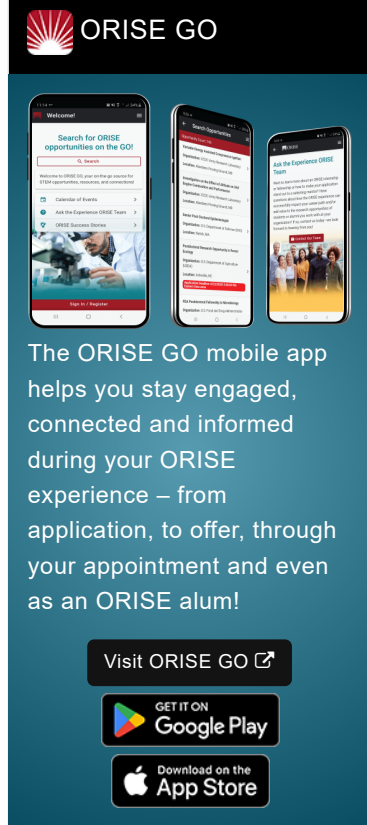
CDC Office and Location: A research opportunity is available in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) located in Atlanta, Georgia.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is one of the major operation components of the Department of Health and Human Services. CDC works to protect America from health, safety and security threats, both foreign and in the U.S. Whether diseases start at home or abroad, are chronic or acute, curable or preventable, human error or deliberate attack, CDC fights disease and supports communities and citizens to do the same.

Research Project:


1. Train on a wide range of tasks with a multidisciplinary team to carry out public health communication and promotion strategies for the Geospatial Research Analysis and Science Program (GRASP). You will have the opportunity to collaborate with other CDC health communications, scientific, and management staff to plan and develop content, and collaborate in the production of information material for use in print and electronic media.
2. Engage in planning and developing communication priorities, campaigns, strategies, and practices to achieve optimal program results.
3. Communicate public health messaging to a variety of internal and external audiences via preparation of visuals, infographics, posters, and data visualizations to share compelling work underway in GRASP.
4. Collaborate closely with GRASP subject matter experts (SMEs) to


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explain public health science. Prepare feature articles, success, stories, fact sheets, and narratives to be shared via multiple channels both internally and externally (example: GRASP Internet (internal), GRASP Place & Health Website (external), CDC Home Feature Articles, NCEH-ATSDR From the Director Newsletter

Possible Project Areas:

- Collaborating with ATSDR environmental scientists to develop messages, strategies, and materials that enable partners and communities to better understand methods and data used by ATSDR to assess effects of contaminant exposure on sensitive populations.
- Train in the execution of communications roll-out plan for new releases for various health indices (CDC/ATSDR SVI, EJI, HHI, etc.)
- Train and gain experience in writing content and feature stories for the GRASP Intranet and the external [Place and Health website](#).

Learning Objectives: As a result of this training opportunity the participant will gain experience in public health communications as it relates to geospatial science and technology.

Mentor(s): The mentor for this opportunity is Shannon Graham (buu9@cdc.gov). If you have questions about the nature of the research please contact the mentor(s).

Anticipated Appointment Start Date: 2024/2025. Start date is flexible and will depend on a variety of factors.

Appointment Length: The appointment will initially be for one year, but may be renewed upon recommendation of CDC and is contingent on the availability of funds.

Level of Participation: The appointment is full time.

Participant Stipend: Stipend rates may vary based on numerous factors, including opportunity, location, education, and experience. If you are interviewed, you can inquire about the exact stipend rate at that time and if selected, your appointment offer will include the monthly stipend rate.

Citizenship Requirements: This opportunity is available to U.S. citizens, Lawful Permanent Residents (LPR), and foreign nationals. Non-U.S. citizen applicants should refer to the [Guidelines for Non-U.S. Citizens Details page](#) of the program website for information about the valid immigration statuses that are acceptable for program participation.

ORISE Information: This program, administered by ORAU through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE), was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and CDC. Participants do not become employees of CDC, DOE or the program administrator, and there are no employment-related benefits. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. Health insurance can be obtained through ORISE.

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The successful applicant(s) will be required to comply with Environmental, Safety and Health (ES&H) requirements of the hosting facility, including but not limited to, COVID-19 requirements (e.g. facial covering, physical distancing, testing, vaccination).

Questions: Please visit our [Program Website](#). After reading, if you have additional questions about the application process please email ORISE.CDC.ATSDR@orau.org and include the reference code for this opportunity.

Qualifications The qualified candidate should have received a master's or doctoral degree in one of the relevant fields. Degree must have been received within the past five years.

Preferred Skills/Experience:

- Bachelor's Degree, Master's preferred
- Experience writing in plain language
- Experience in the preparation of documents for public audiences
- Experience in working with social media and/or digital media channels is a plus
- Strong proofreading skills and attention to detail.
- Strong writing and storytelling skills
- Able to communicate well across a variety of mediums (e.g., print, images, video, web, graphic design)

- Eligibility Requirements**
- **Degree:** Bachelor's Degree or Master's Degree received within the last 60 month(s).
 - **Discipline(s):**
 - **Business** (2👁)
 - **Communications and Graphics Design** (6👁)
 - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** (2👁)
 - **Other Non-Science & Engineering** (1👁)

Affirmation I certify that I have not previously been employed by CDC or by a contractor working directly for CDC. I understand that CDC does not permit individuals with a prior employment relationship with CDC or its contractors to participate as trainees in the ORISE program. (Exceptions may be granted for individuals who, since the previous CDC employment, have obtained a new STEM degree which necessitates training in a new field.)