

# LSU School of Public Health Practice Experience- Final Paper

Upon completion of the practice experience, the student must write a professional report describing the practice experience. The reflection paper should be five - ten pages, double-spaced, 12 point font, paginated. Cover page and abstract do not count toward page length requirement.

## I. OUTLINE

### Cover Page

Student name  
PUBH 6800 Practice Experience  
Organization/program where practice experience occurred  
Start date – End date  
Submission date

### Abstract

- Summary or overview of the key points of the practice experience.

### Introduction

- Brief description of the project with a reference to the particular health issue(s) being addressed, its significance, and how it fits with the purpose/mission of the organization.
- Description of the organization including population served; major activities; number of staff; and location, as applicable.
- List your proposed competencies, learning objectives and proposed activities.

### Discussion

- Role of student (you) in the project
- Activities in which you were involved.
- Assessment of whether your competencies and learning objectives were appropriate in addressing the public health problem; whether you accomplished them and to what level.
- Identified facilitators and barriers, and how you addressed them.
- Results or outcomes from the practice experience work.

### Personal Assessment

- How your practice experience contributed to your understanding of public health practice (with particular attention to, but not exclusive to your academic program discipline)
- Was the need for the project addressed satisfactorily?
- Indicate positive and negative aspects of the experience.
- What did you learn about public health practice from your experience?
- Would you recommend this agency as a placement site for future students? Why or why not?

### Conclusion or Recommendations

- Strengths and weaknesses of the existing programmatic activities. Suggest alternative responses to the health problem or further action on the project resulting from your work or outcomes.

## **References**

- Use a standard manuscript style, such as the APA (American Psychological Association Style Manual) or AMA guidelines.

## **Appendix** (does not count towards page length requirement)

- Illustrations (charts, graphs, photos, tables) which display information presented in text
- All deliverables developed by the student (reports, white papers, publications, etc)

## **II. GRADING PROCEDURE**

The paper will be graded the following:

- Abiding to each segment in the outline provided
- Timeliness – meeting the deadline
- Proper grammar and punctuation
- Proper format (double-space with 1-inch margins in 12 point font, 5-10 pages)
- Proper citation