



American Planning Association

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JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Planning & Community Health Associate

The American Planning Association (Washington DC location) seeks a qualified and motivated planner (with experience or education that is related to public health) OR public health professional (with experience or education in planning) to work under the direction of the Manager of the Planning and Community Health Research on projects at the intersection of planning and health involving applied research, education, outreach, and policy.

Background and Job Description

This full-time position requires education and experience in urban and regional planning plus knowledge about the health benefits of sound planning. Candidates must demonstrate well-developed research, writing, and presentation skills, as well as the ability to collaborate effectively with in-house colleagues and with outside academics and practitioners, NGOs and government agencies.

Candidates should demonstrate an ability to develop programs and projects from conception to final implementation. They should also demonstrate knowledge of the complex relationships that exist between urban planning and community health, particularly air and water quality, climate change, obesity prevention, and other related issues.

Qualifications

Candidates must have a master's degree in planning (with experience or education that is related to public health) OR a master's degree in public health (with experience or education in planning). All candidates must have at least 1-3 years professional working experience in the planning or public health fields. A dual degree in planning and public health is preferred. AICP designation is preferred, or without AICP, a commitment to attain certification within 18 months of hire. Salary is commensurate with experience.

Candidates must possess:

- Excellent critical thinking and analytical skills
- Well developed writing, speaking, and interpersonal skills
- Excellent networking and collaboration skills
- An ability to develop and co-manage complex projects or programs
- An entrepreneurial and innovative mindset
- Experience with progressive and innovative planning concepts and tools
- Broad, well-rounded experience with a wide variety of planning disciplines
- Experience with planning and health issues related to climate change, air and water quality, and obesity prevention
- Demonstrated excellence in achievement
- Familiarity with Web 2.0 applications

Salary is commensurate with experience. APA is an equal employment opportunity employer.

For more detailed information about the position, including important instructions on how to apply, e-mail healthycommunities@planning.org with the following EXACT words in the subject line: *PCH Job*.