

Randall Lewis Health & Policy Fellowship

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Deadline: July 11, 2024

The purpose of the [Randall Lewis Health & Policy Fellowship program](#) is to ensure the development of public health and health administration, health policy, urban planning, and data professionals who possess the necessary skills to influence positive change in public policy, systems, and the built environment in our local communities.

The Fellowship is a collaboration between participating cities, agencies, businesses, health systems, local not-for-profits, county departments of public health and universities. Students in the following disciplines are encouraged to apply: MPH, MHA, MBA MPP, MUP, Data Science and, Doctoral Fellows!

This opportunity is administered by [Partners for Better Health \(PBH\)](#) with the generous support of Mr. Randall Lewis. To date, the good works of 250 fellows have positively impacted communities throughout Southern California and beyond. The UCI Graduate Division serves as the point of contact between PBH and UCI fellows.

Award Amount

\$6500 + Professional Development Opportunities

Eligibility Criteria

UCI Graduate Division Requirements

Applicant should satisfy the minimum fellowship eligibility requirements for fellowships:

- full-time enrollment
- achieve a letter grade of B, S or above for three most recent quarters
- earn no more than two incomplete (I) grades in the last three quarters
- maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- demonstrate satisfactory academic progress towards your degree objective
- Demonstrate support from Graduate Advisor or PI
 - Provide their letter of recommendation
- Be a full-time student for the duration of the fellowship (September – May of the award year)

External Requirements for the Randall Lewis Health & Policy Fellowship

The Randall Lewis Health & Policy Fellowship is a prestigious and competitive fellowship for master and doctoral level students interested in health policy and related disciplines

- We Accept Applications for MPH, MHA, MBA MPP, MUP, Data Science and, Doctoral Fellows
- Registration in a practicum/internship course or related academic coursework within the university

- Interest in helping create healthier communities
- Willingness to collaborate with others, learn from their mistakes, and translate theory into practice

Stipulations

All fellows are expected to complete the following over the course of their fellowship year:

- Participate in an orientation session
- Fellows are matched with a hosting site for an 8-month (400-hour) commitment beginning in September through May
- Attend Fellowship meetings and trainings. Fellows meet as a group at least 6 times during the fellowship. We offer our fellows GIS training, mentoring, coaching, resume and interview preparation and much more during the learning session. It is also a great opportunity to network with other fellows all over southern California. These sessions require travel within the Southern California region. Some sessions may be conducted over zoom.
- Submit a Scope of Work developed in conjunction with their site preceptor.
- Prepare a poster for presentation and a two-page handout.
- Attend a minimum of two external professional meetings, workshops or conferences per fellowship year.
- Attend the annual Fellowship Forum & Poster session. Fellows will present their work at an annual poster session and professional networking event held in late April each year.
- Submission of a final narrative detailing the fellow's experience and impact (approximately 1000 words).

Important Notes

- UCI Graduate Division serves as the liaison between UCI applicants/fellows and Partner for Better Health (PBH)
- This is an externally funded fellowship; UCI does not receive or release any funding to students
- Students are not considered employees of the fellowship
- UCI Fellows must maintain minimum fellowship eligibility requirements (as stated above) throughout the duration of the fellowship to be considered eligible

Application Process

Step 1: Students Submit an "Intent to Apply" to UCI Graduate Division

- Submit "intent to apply" to the Graduate Division by using the [Randall Lewis Application – Intent to Apply form](#)
 - Be prepared to provide a letter of recommendation from your Graduate Advisor
 - This letter should be one of the two letters that you provide directly to PBH as part of the Randall Lewis Health & Policy Fellowship Application
 - It should not be addressed to the UCI Graduate Division

- Please provide a **research statement** describing your academic/research interests in less than **300 words**, written for a committee of non-specialists in the field. The statement should highlight any potential plans for impact in the community.

Step 2: Approved Applicants Apply Directly to the Randall Lewis Health & Policy Fellowship

- UCI applicants apply directly (*after Graduate Division approval*)
 - Access the [Randall Lewis Fellowship Student Application](#)
- Profile Photo (300 mb)
- Resume
- Cover Letter
- 2 Letters of Recommendation
- University Transcript
- Short Response Questions
 - What are your academic/research interests?
 - What are your non-academic or work-related interests/hobbies?
 - Community Involvement Synopsis
 - Tell us about yourself and why you would make a good Randall Lewis Fellow?

Contact

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