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CRISP RESEARCH & EVALUATION CLINIC

Are you interested in using facts to solve major social issues in Indianapolis?

The Center for Research on Inclusion and Social Policy (CRISP) will host its inaugural CRISP Research and Evaluation Clinic beginning in the Spring 2020 semester. This opportunity is open for credit for internships or directed research. Scholarships are limited but available at up to \$2,500 per student.

For the Spring 2020 semester, students will work in teams to learn about local issues and support community organizations to address either:

1. Evictions and housing instability among low-income Indianapolis residents
2. Efforts to reduce gentrification in an Indianapolis neighborhood

Teams will conduct an original community-engaged research or evaluation project that addresses one of the projects. Each project will include work with a community partner who is actively addressing these issues. In addition to the project, students will have the opportunity to develop relationships with community development leaders and learn more about the intersection of issues affecting Indianapolis residents.

Learning Opportunities

Students will also receive a variety of trainings throughout the semester, including professional development and leadership training. In addition, they will develop community-engaged research skills, learn how to communicate with lay audiences and stakeholders, gain insights on how to work with vulnerable populations, and understand issues related to diversity and implicit bias.

Specific tasks include conducting focus groups with residents, interviewing key leaders, conducting base data visualization, and developing tools to ask relevant questions.

This opportunity is open to all classifications and majors, with an emphasis on students who have a passion, interest, and skills related to equity, social policy issues, problem solving, communication skills, collaboration, and critical thinking.



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By the end of the semester, students will:

- Meet once a week, on a bi-weekly basis to receive relevant trainings and provide project updates
- Provide a short summary of their findings to the community partner
- Submit a brief reflection paper
- The work will average about 10 hours per week.

Application Process

Students will submit an application online at the following link: go.iu.edu/2czi

The application includes brief background information about the student, three brief written responses to three questions, and the submission of the student's resume.

Applications will be assessed based on:

- Understanding of social policy and relevant topics
- Understanding of CRISP and need for work
- Ability and interest in engaging in the community

Applications are due by December 2, 2019.

Students will be notified about the decision on their application by December 19, 2019.

Applications will be reviewed by a committee of faculty and staff affiliated with CRISP. Applicants may be asked to participate in a brief interview soon after submitting the application.

The Center for Research on Inclusion & Social Policy (CRISP) was launched in January 2019 to address complex social issues and the effects of social policy through applied, data-driven, and translational research. We analyze and disseminate community-relevant research about social disparities and policy issues. The Center is housed within the IU Public Policy Institute in the O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs.

For more information, please e-mail JUCRISP@iu.edu and visit our website: <https://go.iu.edu/CRISP>