Field Experience Summary:

The student will work on a project involving a chronic disease surveillance issue or assist in any investigation occurring during the student's field experience. The student may also have an opportunity to become involved with a health policy issue such as clean air laws or physical fitness campaigns. Depending on the observations made, reports of investigative findings may be appropriate for peer review and publication in a public health journal or in the Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report.
The areas covered in chronic disease surveillance include cancer, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, tobacco use, nutrition/physical activity, arthritis, and women’s health. The student and mentor will work together to develop a project related to one of these topics in Wisconsin. In addition, if the student is interested, this site would provide an excellent opportunity to investigate disparities related to chronic health issues.

**Examples of Previous Student Projects:**

- Understanding producer perceptions to inform Wisconsin farm-to-school programs and policies
- Assess community coalition capacity to advocate for physical activity policies
- Assessing the Nutrition Environment in Wisconsin Communities (ANEWC)
  - Statewide, Social Marketing- Based Formative Assessment with Restaurant and Food Store Owners and Patrons
  - Strategy Selection for Grocery Store Intervention
- Assess physical activity and nutrition environment of child care centers
- Early Childhood Obesity Prevention Initiative