

## **Position Description**

### **SNAP Outreach Assistant**

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), referred to as Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) in North Carolina, provides benefits to purchase food and has been shown to improve food security status. Graduate students face a variety of barriers to participation in SNAP including eligibility requirements for college students that are challenging to navigate. Few resources exist to help graduate students learn more about SNAP/FNS and other food assistance resources.

The [Carolina Hunger Initiative](#) is a project based at the [Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention](#) at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Its mission is to improve access to healthy meals year-round for North Carolinians. The team recently became a SNAP Outreach Implementing Agency in North Carolina focused on college students. The Carolina Hunger Initiative is partnering with the [UNC Graduate School](#) to improve food security among students. The SNAP Outreach Assistant will work with the Carolina Hunger Initiative and Graduate School to compile information, develop resources, and identify channels for sharing resources and information with graduate students about SNAP/FNS.

#### **Duties may include:**

- Compiling information on the requirements and processes for college students to apply for SNAP/FNS and other food assistance resources for students
- Developing resources and website/social media content for graduate students about SNAP/FNS and other food assistance resources
- Providing input on the development of a website about SNAP for college students
- Identifying channels (graduate student orientation, events on campus, social media accounts, etc.) for sharing resources and information with graduate students
- Participating in project-related meetings

#### **Qualifications**

- Graduate student at UNC Chapel Hill in Spring of 2024.
- Knowledgeable about SNAP/FNS and food assistance resources.
- Strong written communication skills.
- Organized and dependable.
- Ability to work independently as part of a larger team.
- Proficient with Microsoft Office/Office 365

#### **Preferred Qualifications**

- Knowledge and/or experience applying for SNAP/FNS benefits as a student in North Carolina.
- Experience using Canva.

**Time Commitment:**

The position will begin in January 2024 with an anticipated time commitment of approximately 10 hours per week during the spring 2024 semester. This position can be completed remotely.

**Compensation:**

The position pays \$20/hour.

**Instructions to Apply**

Complete the application form where you will be asked to upload a copy of your resume/cv and provide a brief description of why you are interested in the position and any relevant skills or experiences you may have:

[https://carolinahungerinitiative.formstack.com/forms/spring\\_2024\\_snap\\_outreach\\_assistant](https://carolinahungerinitiative.formstack.com/forms/spring_2024_snap_outreach_assistant)

The position is open until filled. We will begin reviewing applications on Monday, December 4.

**Questions**

If you have any questions on the position, contact Jessica Soldavini, PhD, MPH, RD, LDN at [Jessica6@live.unc.edu](mailto:Jessica6@live.unc.edu).