

DEHS Extern Program 2025

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IHS employs 5-15 Environmental Health externs each year through the U.S. Public Health Service Junior Commissioned Officer Student Training Extern Program (JRCOSTEP) and U.S. federal civil service

COSTEP

Civil Service

Earn ~\$3,000/month and hold the rank of Ensign in the USPHS

Earn ~\$3,000/month as a GS-5/7

Application window opens the summer prior to year student wishes to fulfill assignment

Application window opens November through March prior to the summer student wishes to fulfill assignment

Assignments usually occur in summer (alternative dates may be negotiable upon selection)

Locations are at field offices across the U.S.

Duties are typical of an IHS Environmental Health Specialist

Information on pay, benefits, eligibility, and application requirements, available at USPHS Commissioned Corps [Student Opportunities and Training website](#)

For information about Environmental Health job opportunities in IHS, contact [Stephen Piontkowski](#) at 301-443-1263

