

## **New Orleans Health Department Internship Program Summer 2025**



**Internship Title:** Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Program Social Work Intern (SUM25-08-U)

**Start Date:** May 2025

**End Date:** May 2026

### **NOHD's Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program:**

The New Orleans Health Department (NOHD) Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program (DV & SA Program) leads the city's response to domestic violence and sexual assault by coordinating community-based and criminal justice partnerships and programs, providing training & technical assistance, supporting prevention programming for families impacted by violence, and advocating for policies that support survivors. Some efforts include the Advocate Initiated Response (AIR) Program, the Domestic Abuse Fatality Review Team, the Mayor's Domestic Violence Working Group, the New Orleans DV Prevention Committee, and the Sexual Violence Response Advisory Committee. NOHD's DV & SA Program also coordinates domestic violence and sexual assault multi-disciplinary case review teams and additional working groups and task forces.

### **Internship Overview:**

This macro-focused internship will provide graduate level social work students an opportunity to work with NOHD's DV & SA Program's Domestic Abuse Fatality Review (NODAFR), Advocacy Initiated Response (AIR) Program, and other domestic violence and sexual assault coordination efforts. Through this internship, MSW interns will develop skills in policy research and development, program evaluation, data analysis, oral and written communication, and content development.

### **Primary Responsibilities:**

- **Semester 1:**
  - Assist the program staff in preparing for NODAFR review sessions by submitting records requests, reviewing records, inputting data into the Empower Database, developing case summaries, and updating protocols.
  - Analyze data related to AIR program outcomes and participate in monthly reviews with AIR Advocates.
  - Review highlighted AIR cases and provide follow-up to partners as needed.
  - Assist with domestic violence and sexual assault criminal justice monitoring project data analysis projects and develop summarization memos as needed.
  - Participate in NODAFR, domestic violence, sexual assault, AIR meetings, training, and outreach activities as available.
- **Semester 2:**
  - Assist with coordinating multidisciplinary team meetings.
  - Assist with domestic violence and sexual assault data analysis criminal justice monitoring projects and develop memos summarizing analyses as needed.
  - Co-facilitate DV and SA training for community and criminal justice partners.
  - Develop DV-related materials for NODAFR, AIR, and other projects and partners as needed.
  - Continue assisting with NODAFR review sessions and participating in AIR program meetings.

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- **Semester 3:**
  - Continue participating and assisting with NODAFR, AIR, and other coordination and data projects.
  - Coordinate 2 multi-disciplinary team meetings and create a memo summarizing the team's efforts in 2025.
  - Develop and facilitate a DV or SA-related training for NOHD partners.
  - Conduct one monitoring project, develop a summary of system recommendations, and present findings to partners.

**Sample Reports and Memos:**

- **AIR Program Summary:** [https://nola.gov/nola/media/Health-Department/Files/AIR-Pilot-One-pager-\(1\).pdf](https://nola.gov/nola/media/Health-Department/Files/AIR-Pilot-One-pager-(1).pdf)
- **2022 Strangulation Case Analysis:** <https://nola.gov/nola/media/Health-Department/2022-New-Orleans-Strangulation-Case-Analysis.pdf>
- **2022 Individuals with Repeat DV Offenses:** <https://nola.gov/nola/media/Health-Department/2022-Individuals-with-Repeat-DV-Offenses.pdf>
- **2024 Domestic Abuse Fatality Review Report:** <https://nola.gov/nola/media/Health-Department/Files/Final-NODAFR-Report-2021.pdf>

**Intern Supervision**

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**Desired Qualifications:**

- In graduate school for social work or related field
- Interest in macro-focused internship
- Interest in domestic violence prevention
- Experience with Excel and Canva

**Compensation:**

- This opportunity is unpaid