

# Process to Review Requests for Exception to In Person Practicum Placement Sanctions

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*Message sent on behalf of Professor Dionne Gesink, Associate Dean Academic Affairs*

DLSPH students who have a paid in-person practicum placement suspended by the University may request exception to participate in an in-person practicum placement, in writing, with the information below.

Only paid practicums will be considered in this pilot, due to the fact that in addition to an essential educational experience, they also provide needed financial support to students. The request for exception will be reviewed by the Associate Dean, Academic Affairs, Dionne Gesink and Associate Professor of Occupational and Environmental Health, Paul Bozek, who is also a Professional Engineer, Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH), and Registered Occupational Hygienist (ROH). Together, they will review the application and interview the student before a final decision is made. Paul Bozek will be the primary lead to assess items 11 and 12 below since he will be able to ascertain requirements based on his education/qualification. In the event of a split decision, a third faculty member, Associate Professor and Co-Scientific Director & Senior Scientist with the Institute for Work & Health, Peter Smith, will be consulted.

If approved, the student will be required to provide a weekly or biweekly (as appropriate) safety update to their Program Director to ensure the continued safety of the student until in-person practicum placement suspensions are lifted by the University.

## **Request to participate in an in-person practicum placement:**

Please submit [this document](#) that includes the following information to the Associate Dean, Academic Affairs: [Please ask your potential preceptor / placement site lead to provide written confirmation that your response to questions 6 – 12 is accurate.](#)