

The career development sessions will be offered in-person throughout the semester in the MPH Classroom, Suite 1010, West End Ave. [Contact Brad Hawkins](#) for additional information.

*Sessions are open to all students, regardless of year or track.*

### Mentoring

In this series, you will define your public health interests; learn how to communicate your career vision in a polished and succinct way to potential employers and professionals; identify effective practices to maximize mentorship opportunities; and prepare for Mentoring Committee meetings.

<b>August 29</b> 11:00 am to Noon	<b>Part 1: Developing your Elevator Pitch</b> William O. Cooper, M.D., M.P.H., (VU MPH '98), <i>Depts. of Pediatrics, Health Policy</i>
<b>September 3</b> 10:45 to 11:45 am	<b>Part 2: An Introduction to Mentoring, Making the most of your Mentoring Committee</b> Christianne L. Roumie, M.D., M.P.H., (VU MPH '05), <i>Vanderbilt MPH Program</i>

### Practice of Public Health

In this series, you will explore the practice of public health; attend local public health conferences; learn about practical training and the tools needed to secure your practicums; hear about Middle Tennessee public health and community organizations; learn how to utilize practice in your Culminating Experience; and expand your professional network.

<b>September 12</b> 3:00 to 4:00 pm	<b>Practical Training and the Tennessee Department of Health (Practicum Orientation)</b> Brad Hawkins, M.S., Ph.D., M.P.H., <i>Vanderbilt MPH Program</i> Casie Higginbotham, M.S., C.P.H., M.C.H.E.S., <i>Tennessee Department of Health</i>
<b>November 8</b> 4:00 to 6:00 pm	<b>Public Health Presentations: <a href="#">Public Health Practicum Colloquium</a></b> The colloquium provides students an opportunity to present their practicum experiences in a conference-like setting. (Location: Light Hall and Langford Auditorium lobby)
<b>November 14</b> 8:00 am to 3:30 pm	<b>Public Health Presentations: Annual TN Emerging Infections Program (EIP) Day</b> EIP is a partnership of the TN Department of Health and Vanderbilt University Medical Center that study infectious diseases. (Location: <a href="#">Loveless Barn</a> )

### Life after MPH

This session, you will focus is on your time after graduation. With the ever-changing landscape of interviews and networking opportunities, professionals must be able to adapt to convey their knowledge, skills, and abilities in new ways. In the spring semester, the series will continue with sessions to learn easy and innovative approaches to market yourself for the opportunities you want in the current environment; explore post-graduate training opportunities; and hear advice from recent alumni.

<b>December 3</b> 12:00 to 1:00 pm	<b>20 Weeks until Graduation!</b> Elizabeth Rose, Ed.D., M.P.H., (VU MPH '15), <i>Vanderbilt Institute for Global Health</i> Brad Hawkins, M.S., Ph.D., M.P.H., <i>Vanderbilt MPH Program</i>
<b>By appointment</b>	<b>Book a one-on-one session</b> <a href="#">Elizabeth Rose, Ed.D., M.P.H.</a> , (VU MPH '15), <i>Vanderbilt Institute for Global Health</i> <a href="#">Brad Hawkins, M.S., Ph.D., M.P.H.</a> , <i>Vanderbilt MPH Program</i>

#### Date to Remember:

- [Tennessee Public Health Association Annual Meeting](#), October 9-11, 2024