PRACTICUM OPPORTUNITIES AT RISE

Fall 2021-Spring 2022: Concentration Practicum

Rise is a nonprofit developer and development consultant and provides predevelopment lending and capacity-building technical assistance and training to other nonprofit community development organizations (CDCs), government agencies and institutions in the St. Louis metropolitan area. Rise also plays a leadership role in community development policy and affordable housing advocacy locally and throughout Missouri and Illinois.

Why Rise? A practicum at Rise helps students apply the knowledge and skills learned in the classroom with meaningful and real time opportunities in the City of St. Louis and St. Louis County in Missouri along with Madison and St. Clair counties in Illinois where Rise serves. The experience with Rise will assist practicum students develop their project and program management skills in addition to creating professional connections.

Professional Career. Many practicum students have gone on to work for affordable housing development companies, tax credit equity firms, planning firms, and all levels of government along with community development corporations, urban planning firms, foundations, and other nonprofit community service organizations. We are proud many of our practicum students have gone on to advance the St. Louis regional community development system.

Expectations. Rise has four field instructors on staff. Because of the duration of programs and projects, Rise seeks students who are professional, collaborative and independent self-starters. Some of the duties of Rise practicum students may involve assisting with the following:

- Comprehensive community planning and implementation
- Individualized technical assistance support
- Rise CDFI business support/Minority Contractor Loan Fund
- Development and evaluation of community outcome measures
- Resident and community needs assessments
- Development, administering and monitoring of social service enrichment plans
- Support of Rise’s Community Development Technical Assistance Program Committee
- Predevelopment – and housing development
- Construction management
- Asset management
- Development and marketing
- Advocacy and policy development

For applications or for more information on practicums please contact:
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