



Application for Appointment in the Visiting Partners Program

The Visiting Partners Program in Occupational & Environmental Health & Safety (VPP-OEHS, or VPP for short) at the University of Michigan (UM) offers a novel opportunity for busy mid-career professionals to collaborate with UM faculty on projects addressing OEHS issues relevant to their work. This program is collaborative, part-time and non-residential. Applicants will be notified within 15 days of submission.

The VPP is designed to allow for continued professional employment while acquiring new information and skills to enhance your work.

The VPP is designed to benefit:

- Educators at university, college, and high school levels wishing to enhance their curricula through the integration of OEHS topics and case studies into their teaching;
- Practitioners of OEHS in businesses, labor unions, and governmental agencies who want to enhance their knowledge and skills while addressing issues of direct relevance to their work; and
- Writers, photographers, musicians and artists who want to integrate OEHS topics into their work.

To give you a better sense of the interests of faculty who may be available to mentor you or collaborate with you on a project, you may wish to visit the following websites:

- **School of Public Health Faculty** <http://www.sph.umich.edu/iscr/faculty/dept.cfm?deptID=2>
- **Department of Industrial and Operations Engineering Faculty** <http://ioe.engin.umich.edu/people/fac/fac.php#deptfac>
- **School of Nursing Faculty** <http://www.nursing.umich.edu/faculty/index.html>

Interested candidates must complete the application and submit it directly to the VPP Program Manager, Chris Godwin using the contact information shown below. The preferred method of submission is electronically, i.e., as an attachment to an e-mail consisting of a single pdf file into which all of the required submission materials having been rolled up. Printed (hard copy) applications also will be accepted. The application form can be accessed on our website, www.umcohse.org or through contacting Chris Godwin. The following materials are required:

- A fully completed application form;
- a current curriculum vitae (resume);
- a letter of support from your employer (if applicable).

CONTACT INFORMATION

Applications should be addressed or e -mailed to:

Visiting Partners Program Chris Godwin, PhD, MPH, VPS Manager, School of Public Health, 1420 Washington Heights, M6168 Ann Arbor, MI 48109-2029 cgodwin@umich.edu , 734.615.6496



APPLICATION FORM

Instructions: You can either copy this application and paste it into a word document or use the Acrobat *Writing Tool* and type within the document. Please do not change the format of the application. We need to see all inquiries and questions in addition to your responses. Save your document and e-mail or send a hard copy to:

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Last name:*

First name:*

Middle name:

E-mail Address:*

Phone Number: * **Cell** **Home**

Gender:*

- Female**
- Male**

Permanent Mailing Address

Street address:*

City:*

State/province code:*

Zip/postal code:* (Please enter "none" if there is no zip/postal code)



Local (U.S.) Mailing Address

- Check this box if the permanent and local mailing address are the same – if different see below.

Street address:*

City:*

State/province code:*

Zip/postal code:*

Education and Employment

Highest degree earned:*

Place of employment:* (limit 250 characters)

Job title at place of employment:*

* Required Information

Although some of this information may be itemized in your resume, please give the COHSE more detail by responding to the following:

- 1. Chronologically describe any past work experiences in occupational and environmental health and safety.**
- 2. Describe any past educational experience in occupational or environmental health and safety.**
- 3. Describe the organization in which you are currently employed and**
 - its mission statement
 - role, if any, in occupational or environmental health and safety
- 4. For both your past and current work: list which of your positions involve(d) teaching or training others.** (For each such position describe the teaching/training activity and state whether teaching or training on occupational or environmental health and safety was involved.)
- 5. For both your past and current work, list which positions involve(d) research activity.** (For each such position describe the nature of the research activity and your role in it.)
- 6. Describe your future career plans.**
- 7. Describe in what ways you believe participation in the Visiting Partners Program will enhance your future career activities.**



8. Describe in as much detail as possible (2-4 pages) your intended work-related OEHS project that you would focus on as a Visiting Partner. Please note that project should be planned to be accomplished within a 6 or 12-month period (for which you are applying). Time extensions may be possible, but cannot be guaranteed. In this description be sure to address all of the following, if relevant:

- One paragraph overview of the key aspects of the project
- Background
 - Why is this project relevant to your professional work and to your future career plans?
 - How has your background prepared you to address the proposed project?
 - Is your current employer in support of your conducting this project? What resources will your employer make available to you to complete the project?
- Project plan
 - Explain the key aspects, steps and methodologies of the proposed project.
 - Describe the envisioned final product if the project is successful.
 - Describe the type of assistance from University of Michigan faculty you believe would benefit you in carrying out this project.
 - Are there important resources you have available to help ensure the success of this project [please note: These would include other sources of finance and resources in addition to \$2000 in direct project support over the first year of participation that each VP is eligible to receive, dependent on satisfactory progress]?
 - What are key challenges to completing a successful project that you foresee? How might you address these challenges?

9. Insert curriculum vitae / resume here.

10. Insert employer letter of support here. *(Note well: If self-employed, or if you believe there is another reason that such a letter clearly would not be appropriate, please explain these circumstances here.)*

Check List:

You have completed and included the following documents:

- A completed application form
- A current curriculum vitae (resume)
- A letter from your employer. This letter should be on official letterhead and should state that your employer supports you in participating in this program and in completion of your intended project; what resources the employer will make available (e.g., materials, time release); etc.