

Review of: "Public Health Student Internship: An Opportunity to Explore System, Self, and Society"

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Valid and valuable concerns are raised by the authors and foregrounds the need for community centred internship or field practices. The very ideals expressed in this paper is applicable for all professional degrees that requires an internship. The article does well in foregrounding self-reflection and accountability to others (communities). The movement from the biomedical to biopsychosocial approach is strongly supported. It is an acceptable fact that internship connects and integrates theory into practice. The ideals of students having a greater concern for the wellbeing of communities necessitates a closer look at the intentions and outcomes of internship programmes. Academia should place greater focus on the entry into communities, establishing relationships with individuals in communities and with the communities itself. Further the very concerns raised in the article about access to health care and the social circumstances of the disadvantaged should be closely linked with the social determinants of health and the sustainable development goals. The authors are congratulated in highlighting the need for authentic and reflexive learning practices. It is wished that further engagement for the development of future directed field practice strategies, should occur.