Saving Lives and Protecting Communities through Injury and Violence Prevention at University of Iowa

Did you know? Injury and violence are the leading causes of death among young people between 1 and 44 years of age.

Motor vehicle crashes, falls, fires/burns, prescription drug overdoses, homicides, and suicides kill more young people per year than cancer, diabetes, heart disease, and the flu combined.

The good news? You can be part of the solution.

Five Reasons to Study Injury and Violence Prevention at UI

- **1. A deep and varied field.** We study youth violence and bullying, road safety, prescription drug overdose, occupational injury, older adult falls, and disaster preparedness, among other subjects.
- **2. Advocacy that makes a difference.** Our research has led to improvements to lowa's child passenger restraint laws and graduated driver's licensing system, the latter of which reduced driving fatalaties by an estimated 15%; state legislation designed to reduce violence in health care facilities; and an award-winning, nationally touring play about cyberbullying.
- **3. A skills-oriented education.** Students master highly marketable skills like grant writing, project management, public policy, advocacy, manuscript writing, and making presentations.
- **4. Excellent funding opportunities.** Students receive financial support through training and research grants and opportunities to apply for pilot grants.
- **5. An interdisciplinary approach.** Our program has strong connections to University of Iowa departments, including Public Health, Medicine, Pharmacy, Engineering, and Nursing.

Our new website: <u>www.public-health.uiowa.edu/iprc</u>







