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The Behavioral Wellness Center at Girard

*Doctoral
 Internship in
 Clinical
 Psychology*

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Introduction

The Behavioral Wellness Center at Girard offers an APA-Accredited Doctoral Internship in Clinical Psychology, which begins July 1 and ends June 30, conducted on a full-time (2000 hours) basis.

The Training Program is based out of Inpatient Psychiatry, where each intern provides clinical services as part of an interdisciplinary treatment team on one of the inpatient psychiatry units. These clinical activities include individual and group therapy, participation and interventions in the milieu, team meetings, and psychological testing/consultation. Interns also respond to testing and therapy consults on one or more of the residential addictions units. In addition to clinical activities, all Doctoral Interns participate in a core curriculum of seminars and supervision, including didactics, case conference, team meetings, and individual supervision.

APA Accreditation Status

The Behavioral Wellness Center at Girard's Doctoral Internship in Clinical Psychology is accredited by the American Psychological Association (APA). Questions related to the program's accreditation status should be directed to the Commission on Accreditation:

Office of Program Consultation and Accreditation
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Phone: (202) 336-5979
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Aim

The aim of our Training Program is to train doctoral level interns to provide evidence-based psychological services, working within multi-disciplinary teams, and providing treatment to program participants with a variety of diagnoses. Most of our participants experience severe psychosis, intellectual disabilities, and personality disorders. However, interns will have the opportunity to work with people across all levels of care, at all levels of ego functioning, and across all stages of change. Interns receive instruction, clinical experience, and supervision designed to facilitate the achievement of several major goals (Clinical Knowledge and Skills, Scholarly Attitude, and Professional Conduct and Identity) and related competencies. It is expected at the conclusion of the training experience doctoral interns will have mastered competency for entry level practice, with minimum rating of each competency at High-Intermediate Competency, with supervision needed only for non-routine cases.

Philosophy

The Training Program is based upon a practitioner-scholar model of clinical practice. It provides an opportunity for interns to develop and refine clinical knowledge and skills in the areas of diagnosis, assessment, psychotherapy/intervention and the integration of advanced concepts. The training program values knowledge and skills, as well as scholarly attitude development, professional behavior, and integration into the professional community. In particular, the training program encourages social and diversity awareness/appreciation, ethical reasoning, scholarly inquiry, critical thinking, familiarity with biopsychosocial and psychotherapy research, and professional development which are integrated into clinical activities and discussions. In addition, interns are encouraged to maintain effective coping skills and respectful, professional relationships with all program participants and

colleagues.

Stipend & Benefits

A stipend of \$26,000 is offered for the Doctoral Internship, beginning July 1 and ending June 30. In addition, interns are entitled to participate in our healthcare plan, which begins the 1st of the month following 60 days of employment. They also have access to free parking on site, and public transportation is available throughout the city to the hospital. Interns also can take up to 10 (PPL) paid personal days plus 6 major holidays.

Requirements

Consistent with employment policy, employment is contingent upon successfully completing a pre-employment physical examination, including PPD screening and MMR; clean urine drug screening; a criminal background investigation, including FBI clearance; proof of liability insurance, proof of CPR/Lifesaver Training certification, a state approved CE regarding Child Abuse Reporting Regulations, and a reference review. Equal Employment Opportunity

The Behavioral Wellness Center is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to ensuring compliance with all laws and regulations pertaining to Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Affirmative Action and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). status or other characteristics protected by law. We hire, train, promote, compensate and retain employees on the basis of their qualifications and performance.

Please note: All staff, including Psychology Interns, are required to have received the COVID-19 vaccination.
