

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

If you are interested in our internship program and you are a clinical psychology student at Ponce School of Medicine you can send an application with:

- 3 letters of recommendation
- Curriculum Vitae
- 2 Psychological Assessment reports
- Official transcript
- APPIC Application

In order to apply students must have:

- Completed all their coursework
- Approved the Clinical Practice Examination
- Approved their dissertation proposal

Send all materials no later than December 15th to the address in the back of this brochure or hand in your complete application at the Training Director's office.

## Other Benefits

- 10 days vacation
- Dissertation Time
- Continuation of student loan



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## Internship Program (PSM IP) at Center for Psychological Services



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# Pre-doctoral internship Clinical Psychology

The PSM internship program operates within the Clinical Psychology Department with the intention of providing the pre-doctoral training needs of its Clinical Psychology students. The mission of the internship program is:

**To provide a solid clinical, professional and learning experience for the PSM Clinical Psychology students during their internship year by providing the necessary opportunities for the consolidation of prior knowledge, skills and attitudes, and for further development of the Clinical Psychologist professional role.**

## Our Goals

**Goal I:** *To prepare clinical psychologists to be able to competently integrate the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and values that serve as the foundation of clinical practice through the provision of a broad-based training experience*

**Goal II:** *To prepare clinical psychologists for the ethical delivery of evidence-based psychological services in diverse clinical situations through the provision of a wide variety of sequential, organized, and supervised training experiences*

# Internship Components

The Psychology Pre-doctoral Internship is designed as a General Internship and is seen as a component of the doctoral training process in Clinical Psychology. The internship is considered captive since it is only accepting students from the Clinical Psychology Program at Ponce School of Medicine. These are the main components of the program:

## Clinical

Students in the Generalist Internship Track are expected to invest a minimum of 13 hours per week in face-to-face patient contact hours. Such experience includes a wide range of clinical activities including psychotherapeutic interventions: individual, marital, family and group, psychological testing: intelligence, personality, psychoeducational, neuropsychological, and consultation with collaterals: relatives, schools, court, medical staff, etc.

## Advanced Trainings for Interns

The internship program includes a sequence of didactic experiences designed to enhance the intern's theoretical background and capacity to apply knowledge to specific clinical populations and situations. At this level, the intern needs to integrate multiple sources of information into a coherent and readily accessible frame of reference. Some of the topics discussed are: Evidence Based Practices; Advanced Psychodiagnosis; Psychological and Neuropsychological Testing and Models of consultation and supervision

## Family Team

Interns participate in weekly family team interventions supervised by Dr. Nydia Ortiz.

## Academic

Interns have the opportunity to explore the academic world by utilizing their clinical and academic experience in the supervision of entry-level graduate students and in serving as Teaching Assistant to professors. The internship program encourages interns to develop basic teaching and supervisory skills.

## Supervision

Supervision is a central part of the training process. Students will have 2 hours of individual supervision every week as well as 2 hours of group supervision and case discussion.

# Student's Requirements

To complete this internship program the interns must satisfy the following requirements:

1. Satisfy the minimum requirement of face to face interventions with patients and their collaterals. Total of 500 hours for the internship cycle.
2. Write a minimum of ten psychological assessment (testing) reports.
3. Participate in all required training programs and staff meetings every week
4. Demonstrate a commitment towards professional and personal growth
5. Demonstrate ethical behavior in all endeavors related to professional and personal behavior while at their training sites and in the community
6. Comply with all supervision requirements
7. Utilize prescribed remedies to address conflicts or difficult issues with patients, staff or with supervisors
8. Satisfy the time requirement of 2000 hours of documented internship activities.

