



Kennedy Krieger Institute

Center for Child and Family Traumatic Stress

2020-2021 Externship in Health Services Psychology

The Center for Child and Family Traumatic will accept two clinical/counseling pre-doctoral psychology externs for the academic year of 2021 - 2022. CCFTS is an outpatient mental health clinic in a specialty pediatric rehabilitation hospital, located in Baltimore, MD. CCFTS is dedicated to providing high quality, culturally relevant, consumer driven and comprehensive services for children and their families affected by trauma. Central to the mission are treatment, training and research in the area of trauma. Clients range in age from infancy to young adulthood and present with a wide range of psychopathology. Training strongly supports and encourages the utilization of evidence-based and evidence-informed practice in all clinical work.

Activities for externs include:

- Psychodiagnostic Experience:** Externs will complete one comprehensive psychological assessment, including projective measures, every 6-8 weeks, perform diagnostic intake interviews, receive related individual and group supervision, and participate in a seminar focused on diagnostic assessment of children and adolescents.
- Therapy Experience:** Externs will carry a minimum of three therapy cases during the externship year and will receive 1-2 hours of supervision per week. Supervision is included for all clinical activities. Externs will be formally trained in Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy (TF-CBT) and will receive supervised experience and consultation within this model.
- Grant Support:** Externs must complete requirements associated with the grant that funds the program. A stipend is provided.
- Tuesdays and Wednesdays** are required training days for a minimum of 16 hours per week.

Optional activities include a variety of didactic experiences that are based on individual needs, interests, and time. Current offerings include additional training in family, play and group therapy. Externs may also be able to lead groups, but this typically requires additional time commitment.

This is an advanced training experience delivered by clinical psychologists who possess strong backgrounds in assessment and treatment. Students are expected to be entering their third year or above of an APA approved doctoral psychology program. A commitment to hard work is necessary but the trainee will be rewarded with a great deal of clinical experience and knowledge.

Interested students should submit (in one e-mail with your Name and “Externship Application” in the subject line) by February 11th, 2021:

- **Letter of interest**
- **Resume**
- **De-identified psychological evaluation report**
- **Two letters of reference must also be sent by the writer and received by February 11th, 2021.**

All Materials should be sent to:

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