

General Information about all Externships & Application process:

Mt. Washington Pediatric Hospital (MWPH) is a specialty and rehabilitation hospital, and is co-owned and co-operated by the University of Maryland and Johns Hopkins. The externships at MWPH are 12-month placements. Externship training will begin late June. Please apply by February 12, 2021. Interviews will be held in February and March. Please email your CV, two letters of recommendation, and a cover letter to Eli Getzoff at [egetzoff@mwph.org](mailto: egetzoff@mwph.org) and Erica Lee at [elee@mwph.org](mailto: elee@mwph.org). Sample of written work may be requested as part of the application process. Please no phone calls. Strong preference will be given to applicants with experience working with children.

If you are applying to the Neuropsychology Externship, please email your CV, two letters of recommendation, and a cover letter to Danielle Raines, Psy.D. at [draines@mwph.org](mailto: draines@mwph.org). Please note the application deadline for neuropsychology is February 26, 2021.

Please indicate your **track of interest** in your cover letter, and if you are applying to more than one track (including the Neuropsychology Externship), please **rank your preference** of tracks.

Externships are described as 'on site' but it is pending Covid/pandemic limitations.

General Outpatient Externship

The psychology externship program at MWPH is a 12-month training experience in clinical and pediatric psychology. The externship includes two major aspects – outpatient therapy and psychological testing. However, there may be the opportunity to focus solely on one aspect during your externship, and you may indicate interest in solely providing therapy or only doing psychological assessments. The number of placements allotted for each

specialty area will depend on interest and space. Externs carry an outpatient therapy caseload consisting of children and adolescents ranging in age from 4 to 18 with diverse backgrounds and presenting problems. Externs are also involved in all aspects of testing, including intakes, administration, report-writing, and feedback sessions. Weekly individual supervision will be provided, as well as group supervision and didactics. Externs will need to be available on one required day (Friday), as well as a second day that will be determined based on extern preference/availability. The externship program at MWPH is a 20 hour per week commitment. You are expected to be on site for 16 hours per week PENDING COVID RECOMMENDATIONS. The additional 4 hours can be spent at your discretion to complete paperwork and can be completed off-site. Friday is a required day due to testing clinic and didactics. Please inquire if interested in a therapy- only or testing-only externship.

Autism Program Externship

The Autism Spectrum Center (ASC) within the Division of Pediatric Psychology & Neuropsychology at MWPH offers 12 or 9 month long externship focusing on consultation, assessment, and treatment of children and adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Externs in this position will be expected to provide direct assessment services to patients; provide therapeutic services to children, adolescents and families; and potentially co-lead social skills groups. Weekly individual supervision will be provided, as well as opportunities for group supervision, didactics, and observation of *ADOS-2* administrations (as well as opportunities to administer and code the *ADOS-2* with faculty). Externs will need to be available on one required day to be determined based on extern/faculty availability, as well as a second day that can be determined based on extern preference/availability. The externship program at MWPH is a 20 hour per week commitment. You are expected to be on site for 16 hours per week. The additional 4

hours can be spent at your discretion to complete paperwork and can be completed off-site.

Pediatric Feeding Disorders Externship

The Division of Pediatric Psychology and Neuropsychology at MWPH is seeking an extern to work with a multidisciplinary pediatric feeding team. The pediatric feeding team includes a gastroenterologist, nurse practitioners, dietitians, speech therapists, and occupational therapists, and treats primarily young children with failure to thrive and avoidant/restrictive food intake disorder. The extern will have the opportunity to participate in initial evaluations, behavioral consultation to speech therapists and occupational therapists, individual therapy cases, and feeding day treatment sessions. Typical co-morbid diagnoses include children with developmental delays, anxiety, and Autism Spectrum Disorders. Primary presenting problems include food selectivity, g-tube dependence, food anxiety, and disruptive mealtime behaviors. Training in protocol development and implementation, behavioral management, and reinforcement contingencies will be provided. Weekly individual supervision will be provided, including opportunities for live supervision. If externs are scheduled to work on Thursdays, they will additionally have the opportunity to participate in weekly multidisciplinary feeding rounds, follow-up clinic, and family meetings. Trainees will be expected to be present for two days per week with a set schedule. The externship in the feeding program at MWPH is a 20 hour per week commitment. You are expected to be on site for at least 16 hours per week; the specific days are flexible. Opportunities for a split externship may also be available for trainees interested in splitting their commitment between feeding and another program, such as Autism or General Outpatient.

Neuropsychology Externship

The neuropsychology externship program at Mt. Washington Pediatric Hospital is a 12-month training experience in clinical pediatric neuropsychology. The externship includes two major aspects – outpatient and inpatient neuropsychological evaluations. Trainees see two full cases per month in outpatient. Externs are involved in all aspects of the evaluation, including intakes, test administration, report-writing, and feedback sessions. Externs are also involved in consultation with other disciplines of the hospital, such as medicine, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech and language, and social work. Additionally, interested externs will be trained in concussion management through our Concussion Assessment and Management Program. The externship includes weekly didactics, involvement in medical rounds, medical clinics, and brain cuttings at Johns Hopkins pathology lab. Students will participate in weekly individual and group supervision.

If you are applying to the Neuropsychology Externship, please email your CV, two letters of recommendation, and a cover letter to Danielle Raines, Psy.D. at draines@mwph.org. Please note that interviews are conducted on a rolling basis, but the formal application deadline for neuropsychology is February 26, 2021.