

**Internship Program Admissions**  
**Date Program Tables are updated: 7/1/2021**

Intern applicants desiring well rounded training experiences in core professional competencies with strong emphasis on evidence based clinical practice are well suited for our site. The General Track offers greatest flexibility to design a well-rounded training plan covering all core competencies. Both Clinical and Counseling psychology applicants from PsyD or PhD programs can be well served at our site. Applicants considering post-internship specialization may consider applying for the Neuropsychology or Health Psychology track as these tracks represent a “Major Area of Study” offered at our site. Applicants are most competitive for these tracks when they have strong foundational skills in general competencies, but also have coursework/didactics, supervised practicum and dissertation/research experience in their specialty. Applicants wanting “Experience” or “Exposure” level training opportunities in specialty areas may apply for the General Track. See the link below for clarification on these levels of training:

<https://www.apa.org/ed/graduate/specialize/taxonomy.pdf>

Intern applicants are most strongly considered when they have well rounded prior experiences including robust assessment and intervention experience. Persons with experience in complex medical centers similar to VA medical centers and experience delivering evidence based interventions beyond CBT or evidence based psychodynamic interventions are most competitive. Individuals who have written several reports utilizing the WAIS-IV or MMPI-2 are also most competitive.

**Does the program require that applicants have received a minimum number of hours of the following at time of application? If Yes, indicate how many:**

Total Direct Contact Intervention Hours			Amount: No minimum
Total Direct Contact Assessment Hours			Amount: No minimum

**Describe any other required minimum criteria used to screen applicants:**

Battle Creek VAMC operates on the policy of inclusion rather than exclusion. The program has no minimum criteria. That being said, those who fall in the lowest quartile in multiple areas for a particular track applicant pool are less competitive. These numbers are flexible and merit closer review of the applicant. Applicants with strong interest in our site who question their fit or preparedness for the training we offer are strongly encouraged to reach out to the training director for a frank conversation about their competitiveness at our site.

<b>Financial and Other Benefit Support for Upcoming Training Year*</b>		
Annual Stipend/Salary for Full-time Interns	\$26,297	
Annual Stipend/Salary for Half-time Interns	NA	
Program provides access to medical insurance for intern?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>If access to medical insurance is provided:</b>		
Trainee contribution to cost required?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Coverage of family member(s) available?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Coverage of legally married partner available?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Coverage of domestic partner available?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Hours of Annual Paid Personal Time Off (PTO and/or Vacation)	104	
Hours of Annual Paid Sick Leave	104	
In the event of medical conditions and/or family needs that require extended leave, does the program allow reasonable unpaid leave to interns/residents in excess of personal time off and sick leave?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Other Benefits (please describe): <a href="https://www.psychologytraining.va.gov/benefits.asp">https://www.psychologytraining.va.gov/benefits.asp</a>		

\*Note. Programs are not required by the Commission on Accreditation to provide all benefits listed in this table

<b>Initial Post-Internship Positions</b>		
(Provide an Aggregated Tally for the Preceding 3 Cohorts)		
	<b>2018-2021</b>	
Total # of interns who were in the 3 cohorts	15	
Total # of interns who did not seek employment because they returned to their doctoral program/are completing doctoral degree	0	
	<b>PD</b>	<b>EP</b>
Community mental health center	0	0
Federally qualified health center	0	0
Independent primary care facility/clinic	0	0
University counseling center	0	0
Veterans Affairs medical center	<b>4</b>	1
Military health center	<b>2</b>	0
Academic health center	<b>6</b>	0
Other medical center or hospital	0	1
Psychiatric hospital	0	<b>0</b>
Academic university/department	0	0
Community college or other teaching setting	0	0
Independent research institution	0	0
Correctional facility	0	0
School district/system	0	0
Independent practice setting	<b>1</b>	0
Not currently employed	0	0
Changed to another field	0	0
Other	0	<b>0</b>
Unknown	0	0

Note: "PD" = Post-doctoral residency position; "EP" = Employed Position. Each individual represented in this table should be counted only one time. For former trainees working in more than one setting, select the setting that represents their primary position.