**Internship Admissions, Support, and Initial Placement Data**

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| **Program Disclosures** |  |
| Does the program or institution require students, trainees, and/or staff (faculty) to comply with specific policies or practices related to the institution’s affiliation or purpose? Such policies or practices may include, but are not limited to, admissions, hiring, retention policies, and/or requirements for completion that express mission and values? | Yes |
| If yes, provide website link (or content from brochure) where this specific information is presented: | **Review in APPIC Directory**  Applicants must qualify for federal appointment as a Health Professions Trainee (HPT) within the VA system. Detailed information regarding trainee eligibility requirements is available at <https://www.va.gov/OAA/docs/Am_I_Eligible_v5.pdf>. Please review this information carefully. |
| **Internship Program Admissions** |  |
| Briefly describe in narrative form important information to assist potential applicants in assessing their likely fit with your program. This description must be consistent with the program’s policies on intern selection and practicum and academic preparation requirements: |  |
| Applicants to the Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center (TVAMC) Psychology Internship Program must be U.S. citizens enrolled and in good standing at a clinical or counseling psychology graduate program accredited by the American Psychological Association (APA), Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) or Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System (PCSAS). Applicants must be certified by their Director of Clinical Training as being ready for internship and preferably will have only minor, if any, dissertation requirements remaining. We prefer that applicants have a minimum of 1000 total hours of practicum experience (e.g., intervention, assessment, supervision, support); however, the quality of previous training experiences is valued more highly than the quantity.  Preference is typically given to candidates from university-based programs who have had supervised assessment and therapy experience with a broad range of psychopathology across varied adult populations and settings; supervised training in objective psychological test administration, interpretation, and report writing; and demonstrated interest and experience in research.  As an equal opportunity training program, the TVAMC internship considers applications from qualified candidates of all backgrounds. We welcome and strongly encourage applications from candidates reflecting diversity in racial, ethnic, religious, sexual orientation, gender, disability or other identity status. |  |
| **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 | No |
| Total Direct Contact Assessment Hours | No |
| **Describe any other required minimum criteria used to screen applicants:** |  |
| The program does not require a specific number of intervention or assessment hours; however, we prefer that applicants have a minimum of 1000 total hours of practicum experience (e.g., intervention, assessment, supervision, support).  No additional program-specific screening criteria are required; however, we do look particularly favorably upon applicants who have demonstrated a strong work ethic, professionalism, and adaptability in challenging circumstances.  As noted above, applicants must qualify for federal appointment as a Health Professions Trainee (HPT) within the VA system. Detailed information regarding trainee eligibility requirements is available at <https://www.va.gov/OAA/docs/Am_I_Eligible_v5.pdf>. Please review this information carefully. |  |
| **Financial and Other Benefit Support for Upcoming Training Year\*** |  |
| Annual Stipend/Salary for Full-time Interns | $33,469 |
| Annual Stipend/Salary for Half-time Interns | NA |
| Program provides access to medical insurance for intern? | Yes |
| **If access to medical insurance is provided:** |  |
| Trainee contribution to cost required? | Yes |
| Coverage of family member(s) available? | Yes |
| Coverage of legally married partner available? | Yes |
| Coverage of domestic partner available? | 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? | Yes |
| Other Benefits (please describe): | Paid Federal Holidays |
| \*Note. Programs are not required by the Commission on Accreditation to provide all benefits listed in this table |  |
| **Initial Post-Internship Positions** |  |
| (Provide an Aggregated Tally for the Preceding 3 Cohorts) | 2020-2023 |
| Total # of interns who were in the 3 cohorts | 11 |
| Total # of interns who did not seek employment because they returned to their doctoral program/are completing doctoral degree | 1 |
| Academic teaching | PD=0, EP=1 |
| Community mental health center | PD=0, EP=0 |
| Consortium | PD=0, EP =0 |
| University Counseling Center | PD=0, EP =0 |
| Hospital/Medical Center | PD=2, EP =0 |
| Veterans Affairs Health Care System | PD=2, EP =3 |
| Psychiatric facility | PD=0, EP =0 |
| Correctional facility | PD=0, EP =0 |
| Health maintenance organization | PD=0, EP =0 |
| School district/system | PD=0, EP =0 |
| Independent practice setting | PD=1, EP =0 |
| Other: Academic Research Center | PD=1, EP =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. |  |