

FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS

Applicants must meet the following requirements for admission to the Postdoctoral Fellowship Program:

1. Have a doctoral degree that meets one of the following criteria:
 - a. A doctoral degree in psychology from a graduate program in psychology accredited by the American Psychological Association (APA), the Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System (PCSAS), or the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) at the time the program was completed. The specialty area of the degree must be consistent with the assignment for which the applicant is to be employed; or
 - b. Have a doctoral degree in any area of psychology and, in addition, successfully complete a respecialization program (including documentation of an approved internship completed as part of the respecialization program) meeting both of the following conditions:
 - i. The respecialization program must be completed in an APA or a CPA accredited doctoral program; and
 - ii. The specialty in which the applicant is retrained must be consistent with the assignment for which the applicant is employed.

AND

2. Successfully completed an internship that meets one of the following criteria:
 - c. An internship that was accredited by APA or CPA at the time the program was completed and that is consistent with the assignment for which the applicant is employed; or
 - d. New VHA psychology internship programs that are in the process of applying for APA accreditation are acceptable in fulfillment of the internship requirement, provided that such programs were sanctioned by the VHA Central Office Program Director for Psychology and the VHA Office of Academic Affiliations at the time that the individual was an intern; or
 - e. VHA facilities that offered full-time, one-year pre-doctoral internships prior to PL 96-151 (pre-1979) are considered to be acceptable in fulfillment of the internship requirement; or
 - f. Applicants who completed an internship that was not accredited by APA or CPA at the time the program was completed may be considered eligible for hire *only* if they are currently board certified by the American Board of Professional Psychology in a specialty area that is consistent with the assignment for which the applicant is to be employed. (**NOTE:** *Once board certified, the employee is required to maintain board certification.*)
3. Are documented citizens of the United States of America
4. Matched postdoctoral residents are subject to fingerprinting, background checks, and a urine drug screen.
5. Male applicants born after 12/31/1959 must have registered for the draft by age 26

*** Failure to meet these qualifications could nullify an offer to an applicant.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

To apply, the following materials must be uploaded in the APPA CAS for the Hines VA Fellowship program:

1. A cover letter that details your previous clinical, educational and research experience in clinical neuropsychology, and describes your career goals and the way in which the Fellowship will advance them.
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. Official transcripts from graduate school (including awarding date of doctoral degree). If the doctoral degree has not yet been awarded, we will require an official transcript with awarding date before admission to the Fellowship Program.
4. Three letters of recommendation, including: one from your dissertation Chair, one from a clinical supervisor who is especially familiar with your work in Neuropsychology, and one from another clinical supervisor who is very familiar with your clinical work. At least one of these letters should be from an internship supervisor. The letter from your dissertation Chair should note the status of your dissertation and anticipated completion date, if your doctoral degree has not yet been awarded.
5. A fourth letter from your psychology internship training director discussing your progress on internship and anticipated completion date. If your training director is also writing you a letter of recommendation as a clinical supervisor, one letter for both purposes is fine.
6. A de-identified sample neuropsychological evaluation report, written by you.

All application materials must be submitted through APPA CAS.

Applicants who appear to be a good fit with our program will be invited for video interviews.

Please contact Dave Kinsinger by phone or email if you have further questions. We enthusiastically look forward to your application!

APPLICATION DEADLINE – Thursday, December 11, 2023
