

**Postdoctoral Residency Admissions, Support, and Initial Placement Data  
VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System: Professional Geropsychology Fellowship**

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<b>Program Disclosures</b>	
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?	No
If yes, provide website link (or content from brochure) where this specific information is presented:	NA
<b>Postdoctoral Program Admissions</b>	
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 who have completed VA internships and who have an interest in a VA career are strongly encouraged to apply. Appropriate candidates will have entry-level geropsychology practice skills. Applicants with both clinical and research experience in geropsychology are highly desirable. We value applicants with the ability to engage in scholarly inquiry and critical analysis of the scholarly literature. Given our focus on providing evidence based treatment to our veterans, we value applicants who have training in evidence based treatment approaches. Further, given the diversity of the veterans receiving treatment through the VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System, we encourage applicants from graduate and internship programs with a multicultural focus and experience with ethnic, cultural, and social minority groups. Our fellowship program values cultural and individual diversity and strongly encourages qualified applicants from all backgrounds to apply. We adhere to all EEO guidelines. The United States government is a non-discriminatory, affirmative action employer. Federal law prohibits discrimination based on age, sex, race, creed, color, religion, handicap or national origin.	
<b>Describe any other required minimum criteria used to screen applicants:</b>	
<b>Applicants must meet the following prerequisites to be considered for our postdoctoral training program:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Completion of all doctoral degree requirements from a clinical or counseling psychology doctoral program accredited by the</li> </ol>	

<p>American Psychological Association (APA), the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA), or Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System (PCSAS)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Completion of an APA-accredited psychology internship program or have completed a VA-sponsored internship</li> <li>3. U.S. citizenship.</li> <li>4. U.S. Social Security Number</li> <li>5. Matched postdoctoral residents are subject to fingerprinting, background checks, and random drug testing.</li> <li>6. Selective Service Registration: Male applicants born after 12/31/1959 must have registered for the draft by age 26</li> <li>7. Completion of TQCVL verifying physical and mental fitness for duty, evidence of tuberculosis screening, and evidence of up-to-date vaccinations for healthcare workers as recommended by the CDC and VA to include: Hepatitis B, MMR, Varicella, Tdap, annual flu vaccine, and COVID-19 vaccination</li> </ol>	
<b>Financial and Other Benefit Support for Upcoming Training Year*</b>	
Annual Stipend/Salary for Full-time Residents	53,661
Annual Stipend/Salary for Half-time Residents	NA
Program provides access to medical insurance for Residents?	Yes
<b>If access to medical insurance is provided:</b>	
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): Maternity/Paternity leave is also available through use of sick leave, annual leave, and then Leave Without Pay (LWOP), with any LWOP hours to be made up at the end of the training year. In addition to the annual leave and sick leave, fellows may be granted time away for approved training activities and conferences and taking the psychology licensure examination.	Yes
*Note. Programs are not required by the Commission on Accreditation to provide all benefits listed in this table	
<b>Initial Post-Residency Positions 2019-2022</b>	
(Provide an Aggregated Tally for the Preceding 3 Cohorts)	
Total # of Residents who were in the 3 cohorts	4
Total # residents who remain in training in the residency program	0
Academic teaching	PD=0, EP=0
Community mental health center	PD=0, EP=0

Consortium	PD=0, EP=0
University Counseling Center	PD=0, EP=0
Hospital/Medical Center	PD=0, EP=0
Veterans Affairs Health Care System	PD=0, 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=0, EP=1
Other	PD=0, EP=0
<p>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.</p>	