

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?	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</div>
If yes, provide website link (or content from brochure) where this specific information is presented:	
N/A	

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:

Western Youth Services (WYS) is a child and family community mental health agency serving the needs of vulnerable children in Orange County, California. Interns provide and are trained in evidence-based family therapy, evidence-based child therapy, trauma therapy, psychological testing, and consultation with treatment team members (i.e., social services staff, school personnel, psychiatrists, etc.). WYS anticipates having nine licensed psychologists who all participate in one or more aspects of the training program (e.g. teaching, supervision) and 3-4 postdoctoral fellows who will serve as mentors for interns. Interns are placed in one of four out-patient clinics located in Anaheim, Fountain Valley, or Santa Ana (two interns per clinic). Interns are required to have transportation during work hours as seminars and group supervision alternate locations, and interns may occasionally travel between clinics to conduct psychological testing. All clinics provide opportunities for evidence-based trainings that include, but are not limited to, Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT), Functional Family Therapy (FFT), Trauma-Focused CBT (TF-CBT), and Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) skills.

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	<u>Yes</u>	Amount: 400
Total Direct Contact Assessment Hours	No	<u>Yes</u>	Amount: 75

Describe any other required minimum criteria used to screen applicants:

- Interest in working with children and families
- Comprehensive exams passed by application deadline
- Dissertation proposal approved by rank order deadline
- Sample testing report required in application

Financial and Other Benefit Support for Upcoming Training Year*

Annual Stipend/Salary for Full-time Interns	\$47,250 (for monolingual speaking interns) or \$49,615 (for bilingual Spanish or Vietnamese speaking interns)	
Annual Stipend/Salary for Half-time Interns	No half-time intern positions available	
Program provides access to medical insurance for intern?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If access to medical insurance is provided:		
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)	Up to 90**	
Hours of Annual Paid Sick Leave	Up to 79.2**	
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
<p>Other Benefits (please describe):</p> <p>14 paid holidays (2 floating), employee assistance program, 403(b) retirement plan, vision, dental, up to 24 hours of education leave, educationally-related activities, or fellowship application activities</p> <p>**The eligibility to accrue vacation hours occurs on the first day of the month immediately following the start of internship. Vacation is accrued at the rate of five (5) hours per pay period, up to 90 hours or 11.25 days. The eligibility to accrue sick leave on the first of the month follows ninety (90) days of the internship year. Sick leave is accrued at 3.33 hours per pay period, up to 79.92 hours or 9.99 days.</p>		

* 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)

	2021-2024	
Total # of interns who were in the 3 cohorts	18	
Total # of interns who did not seek employment because they returned to their doctoral program/are completing doctoral degree	0	
	PD	EP
Academic teaching	PD = 0	EP = 0
Community mental health center	PD = 5	EP = 4
Consortium	PD = 0	EP = 0
University Counseling Center	PD = 0	EP = 0
Hospital/Medical Center	PD = 3	EP = 0
Veterans Affairs Health Care System	PD = 0	EP = 0
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 = 1
Independent practice setting	PD = 2	EP = 0
Other	PD = 3*	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.

*Initial Post-Internship Positions for 3 interns from preceding 3 cohorts are unknown and listed as "Other"