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Counseling Psychology
Department of Educational Psychology
Texas A&M University
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AUSTIN, TX

Austin Child Guidance Center
Austin, Texas

Contact: Dr. Julia Hoke

Phone:  512.451.2242

Email: jhoke@austinchildguidance.org

Website:  http://www.austinchildguidance.org/

Clientele/Experienced Gained:  Children, individual and group, psychological assessments

Duration:  2 semesters

Additional Info:  They actively recruit only at UT, so those students get first dibs on spots. But when they have openings, they’re happy to accept applicants from other schools. Applications are due in February for fall practicum.

Austin Outpatient VA Clinic
Austin, Texas

Contact:  Dr. Edgar Villarreal

Phone:  512-823-4627

Email: edgar.villarreal@va.gov

Website:  http://www.centraltexas.va.gov/visitors/austin.asp

Clientele/Experienced Gained:  Outpatient facility for veterans, individual and group and family counseling. Opportunities are also present for doing assessment and testing.
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Duration: 2 semesters (Fall and Spring), 16-18 hours per week.

Application: Applicants need to have at least 1 practicum or commensurate clinical experience before applying. Copy of vita or resume, a statement of interest (why this particular site, training interests and experiences), a one letter of recommendation from previous practicum site. Applications are due January 13th, and interviews are completed by end of March 3rd.

Additional Info: Must be able to attend group supervision on Thursdays 1-3pm.

Austin State Hospital
Austin, Texas

Contact: Dr. Vivian Pan

Phone: 512.419.2729

Email: Vivian.Pan@dshs.texas.gov

Website: http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/mhhospitals/AustinSH/

Clientele/Experienced Gained: Students provide both therapy and testing services to patients on the Adult Psychiatric Service, which consists of 8 units and approximately 175 beds. Types of testing include diagnostic, intelligence/achievement testing, and neuropsych testing.

Duration: 1 year (preferable) or 1 semester

Application: If students are interested in applying for a placement here, submission of a CV, 2 letters of recommendation including 1 from a practicum supervisor, and a writing sample, preferably a redacted psychological report are required. Standard deadline for applications is the 3rd week in February; however, they have occasionally considered applications past that deadline.

St. Edward’s University, Health & Counseling Center
Austin, Texas

Contact: Dr. Charles Couchman

Phone: 512-448-8538

Email: couchman@stedwards.edu
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Website:  
http://think.stedwards.edu/healthcounseling/advancedpracticumcollegestudentmentalhealth

Clientele/Experienced Gained: Providing individual counseling services to diverse student population of St. Edward’s University. Practicum attempts to provide trainees with a broad range of experiences typical of working in a multidisciplinary center, this includes collaboration between counseling and medical personnel at the Health & Counseling Center. Practicum may also include walk in crisis management, outreach presentations to university community, and co-facilitate counseling group, depending on interest.

Duration: 2 semesters, with 14 hrs/week commitment.

Application: Completed application form, copy of vita, a letter of recommendation or a copy of an evaluation from previous practicum site. Applications are due early February as placement decisions are typically made by March 1st.

Additional Info: Students are required to have completed 2 semesters of prior counseling practica and 1 year of full time graduate coursework.

BRYAN, TX

Juvenile Justice Center  
Bryan, TX

Contact: Dr. Melissa Magyar

Phone: 979.823.3544

Clientele/Experienced Gained: Site includes experiences in assessments, therapy, groups, and possible suicide risk assessment, crisis intervention. When calling the central line, ask to be directed to Dr. Melissa Magyar, who is the licensed psychologist. She would be able to provide more direction and current supervision.

Duration: Two semesters Fall and Spring (NOT summer).

Additional Info: Prefers more experienced doctoral students, and preferred experience in community-based mental health.
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**Sexual Assault Resource Center**
Bryan, TX
(Pending)

**Contact:** Tracy Calanog

**Phone:** 979-731-1000

**Email:** tcalanog@sarcbv.org

**Website:** http://www.sarcbv.org/get-involved/internships

**Clientele/Experienced Gained:** Provides crisis support, mental health services, counseling for survivors and their families, and community education and outreach to survivors of sexual assault. Serves various counties including Brazos, Burleson, Madison, Leon among others.

**Application:** Please contact Ms. Calanog for specific information regarding practicum.

**Scotty’s House**
Bryan, TX
(Pending)

**Contact:** Dr. Denise Peterson

**Email:** dpeterson@scottyhouse.org

**Website:** https://www.scottyhouse.org/pdf/CounselingInternship.pdf

**Clientele/Experienced Gained:** Provides counseling, assessment and education for children victimized by abuse. Experiences include trauma focused mental health treatment using play therapy, trauma focused CBT, family, group, art and animal assisted therapies.

**Application:** Please contact Dr. Peterson for specific information regarding practicum.

**Women’s Prison**
Bryan, Texas
(Pending)

**Contact:** Dr. Kim Villabona

**Phone:** 979.823.1879 ex. 568
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Email: kvillabona@bop.gov

Clientele/Experienced Gained: Incarcerated adult women, individual and groups. Gain experience on issues such as trauma, grief, self-esteem, eating disorders, and drug abuse.

Duration: 2 semesters starting in summer or fall, application submitted in spring semester

Federal Prison Camp
Bryan, Texas

Contact: Dr. Ashley Noble

Email: axnoble@bop.gov

Clientele/Experienced Gained: Practicum students at FPC Bryan are involved in direct patient care through a variety of programs, groups, and psychotherapy. Additionally, they are provided the opportunity to see inmates for brief therapy sessions as well as for crisis intervention. Over the course of the practicum, students will also learn about the Federal Bureau of Prisons and will be provided with the opportunity to utilize some of our data systems as well. These experiences are especially helpful for those students considering a predoctoral internship at a Bureau of Prison facility.

Duration: 2 semesters starting in summer or fall, 2 full working days approximating 16 hours/week.

Application: Contact Dr. Noble via email if interested. Application is submitted in spring semester (sometime in April).

CLEAR LAKE, TX

University of Houston-Clear Lake, Career & Counseling Services
Clear Lake, Texas

Contact: Dr. Jonathan Schmalz-Benson

Phone: 281-283-2586

Email: schmalz@uhcl.edu

Clientele/Experienced Gained: Working with individuals, couples, and groups in a university counseling center setting. Typical presenting issues include depression, bipolar disorder, anxiety,
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relationship issues, trauma/abuse recovery, grief, self-esteem, body image, eating disorders, shame, academic, and vocational issues.

Duration: 2 semesters, 18-20 hours each week (not including lunch breaks) divided over three days, with two evenings until 7 p.m. While all trainees are expected to be present for case conferences and training seminars on Wednesday mornings from 8 am -12 noon, they are flexible with student’s schedule.

Application: Submitted during spring semester. Interviews may be scheduled after the submission of your resume and list of coursework that will be completed by the beginning of the practicum.

COLLEGE STATION, TX

Texas A&M Student Counseling Center
College Station, Texas

Contact: Dr. Jason Hindman

Phone: 979.845.4427

Email: jhindman@scs.tamu.edu

Website: http://scs.tamu.edu/

Clientele/Experience Gained: Adults, Students, Individual

Duration: 1 semester, with 16 hours per week commitment, but there is option of committing for two semesters.

Application process: Requirements include submitting a completed application, an updated vita and a statement of intent. This is followed by an on-site interview. Applications are due early in previous semester of chosen semester for practicum.
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Texas A&M Telehealth Counseling Clinic
College Station, Texas

Contact: Dr. Carly McCord
Phone: (979)436-0700
Email: cmccord@sph.tamhsc.edu
Website: Telehealthcounseling.org

Duration: Preference given to students able to commit for 2 semesters, with a 15 hours per week, with 8 hrs of direct client contact, 1 hr of individual supervision, 2 hrs of didactic and discussion/process oriented group supervision, 2 hrs of supervision preparation, and 2 hrs of case management/paperwork.

Application process: Send a current vitae and an application form to Dr. Carly McCord. Applications will be reviewed and selected applicants will be invited to interview with the Clinical Director at the TCC. Interviews usually last approximately 30 minutes.

GEORGETOWN, TX

Southwestern University Health & Counseling Service
Georgetown, Texas

Contact: Dr. Kylin Lee
Phone: 512-863-1250
Email: leek@southwestern.edu

Clientele/Experience Gained: Carry 6-12 individual clients depending on particular needs and time commitment. There is an opportunity to co-lead an Interpersonal Process group with an experienced staff member. Supervision of clinical weekly, typically 1 hour of supervision for individual work and 30-45 minutes supervision for group work. Advanced practicum student are highly encouraged to attend Clinical Consultation meeting.

Duration: It’s a 12-15 hour weekly commitment. Length of Practicum would be negotiated with each student to be either a one or two semester commitment and days on campus are flexible and can be designed to meet the trainee’s schedule.

Application: It’s due mid to late January. Application includes a letter of interest, clinical reference contact information - please include information from someone who has directly...
supervised your clinical work. This person should address your current level of skill, your openness to supervision, and any areas for growth, and a curriculum vita.

HOUSTON, TX

Charis Psychological Associates
Houston, TX

Contact: Dr. Pauline Clancy, Ed.D. (Licensed Psychologists)

Phone: (713) 777-8633

Email: charis_associates@hotmail.com

Location: 8303 Southwest Freeway, Suite # 800
Houston, TX 77074

Clientele/Experience Gained: Office in private practice offering services to children, adults, and couples (marital, pre-marital, child behavior problems). The organization has a contract with the state to serve individuals with disabilities. *Note: The practicum student will be trained in a Christian therapy modality.

Duration: 2 semesters, 20 hrs/weekly commitment

Application: Interview, references, transcript of Graduate work

Harris County Jail-Forensic Psychiatric Services
Houston, TX
(Pending)

Contact: Danielle Hale, Ph.D.

Phone: (713) 755-9520/ (713) 755-7135

Email: deborah.hale@mhmraharris.org

Clientele/Experience Gained: CBT Program at Harris County Sheriff’s office. Practicum offers CBT services to adult male inmates experiencing behavioral problems and/or chronic emotional issues. Conducts both group and individual therapy.
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**Duration:** Length of commitment ideally 2 semesters, 2 -3 days of 6 hour days

**Application:** Requires vita, letter of interest and an in person interview.

Harris County Juvenile Probation Department
Houston, TX

**Contact:** Dr. Nicole Dorsey

**Phone:** (713) 222-4257

**Email:** nicole.dorsey@hcjpd.hctx.net

**Clientele/Experience Gained:** Students have the opportunity to conduct psychological screening evaluations and full psychological evaluations with youth who are involved in the juvenile justice system. Some of the youth are currently placed in our detention center and some of the youth are at home and come into our office for an assessment. We have a wide array of test measures for students to use and the expectation is for students to write a comprehensive and integrative report. There are also limited opportunities for students to be involved in crisis intervention situations and to provide group and individual counseling. Students will be exposed to working and consulting with a variety of other professionals, including psychiatrists, attorneys, and probation officers. Finally, besides the weekly individual supervision, students also have the opportunity to participate in group supervision and weekly didactic seminars if these experiences fit with their schedule.

**Duration:** 2 semesters, 2 full work days (but flexible)

**Application:** Interviews of practicum students start around February for beginning in the fall. Interested students email Dr. Dorsey directly with a cover letter and a copy of CV. Interview also entails participation in a writing assignment.

**Additional Information:** Practicum is currently assessment focused.

Harris County Psychiatric Center
Houston, TX
(Pending)

**Contact:** Dr. Barr
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**Phone:** 713 741 3910

**Clientele/Experience Gained:** Psychiatric services to adults, adolescents, and children, both inpatient and outpatient. Consists of various units including adult, adolescent, child, and geriatric. Provide assessment, individual therapy, group services. Strong emphasis on assessment.

**Duration:** Starts in Fall. 16 hours weekly commitment, but can be spread over 2-3 days. At least two of those days should be consecutive.

**Additional Information:** HCPC is staffed by psychiatrists and psychologists of the UT Medical School faculty who supervise the patient care provided by psychology and psychiatry residents, psychology practicum trainees and medical students. Practicum student activities may include the following: attending treatment team rounds, participation in admission screening assessments and referred psychological evaluations, feedback and consultation with treatment teams, patients, and parents, and group therapy co-leadership. Research projects are also a possibility. There are lots of assessment experiences available.

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**Michael E. DeBakey V.A. - Houston**

Houston, Texas

**Contact 1:** Dr. Ellen Teng

**Phone:** 713.794.7703 ext. 25513

**Email:** ellen.teng@va.gov

**Contact 2:** Dr. Ashley Clinton

**Phone:** 713.794.7703 ext. 24602

**Email:** ashley.clinton@va.gov

**Clientele/Experienced Gained:** Adults, veterans, psychiatric population, outpatient, inpatient, pain management, psychosocial, vocational, biofeedback, trauma, neuropsychological assessments
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St. Thomas Counseling Center
Houston, Texas

**Contact:** Dr. Rose Signorello

**Phone:** 713-525-3162

**Email:** signorr@stthom.edu

**Clientele/Experience Gained:** Individual, couples, group, and family counseling; Crisis intervention, consultation, and mediation as needed; Campus outreach programming

**Duration:** 2 semesters (August-May), application required March/April. 15-20hrs/week commitment.

**Application:** Includes interview, vita, reference, and writing sample.

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University of Houston (Main Campus), Counseling and Psychological Services
Houston, Texas

**Contact:** Dr. Cecilia Sun

**Phone:** 713.743.5409

**Email:** csun@uh.edu

**Clientele/Experienced Gained:** Individual, Group, Crisis Intervention, Psychological Assessment

**Duration:** 2 semesters (August-May), 16-20 hr/weekly commitment

**Application:** Letter of interest, CV, list of courses taken to date (no transcript required), and an interview in February
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HUNSTVILLE, TX

Sam Houston University, Student Counseling Center
Huntsville, Texas

Contact 1: Jeff Anderson
Email: jma056@shsu.edu

Contact 2: Annie Matthew
Email: ajm068@shsu.edu
Phone: 936.294.1720

Clientele/Experience Gained: Practicum counselors have the opportunity to provide individual counseling and conduct initial intakes. Also provides a group counseling experience. Practicum counselors receive weekly individual and group supervision as well as weekly training seminars. Our training site is also designed to help the practicum counselor develop in his/her professional identity (such as development of theoretical orientation) as a counselor.

Duration: 1 semester (or 2 semesters), with 16 hrs/week commitment. There is also option for 19 hrs/week commitment if it’s beneficial for the student.

Application: A brief vita and confirmation that they have completed a Practicum 1/ Interviewing class or practicum at a captured site run by the department in question. Also includes interview consisting of a 30 minute group interview with individuals providing the supervision and training. Please contact Dr. Anderson or Dr. Matthew to start application process, includ CV, cover letter, and name of a reference. Applications are due by April 10th.

PRAIRIE VIEW, TX

Prairie View A&M University
Prairie View, Texas
(Pending)

Contact: Dr. Bernadine Duncan
Phone: 936-261-3564
Email: bduncan@pvamu.edu
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Clientele/Experienced Gained: Adults, Students, Individual, and Group. Practicum training at the SCS focuses on gaining experience in providing time-limited therapy to a predominantly African American student population who present a wide range of developmental issues and psychological concerns.

Duration: The contract commitment consists of one academic year (late August to early June) or one semester at the discretion of the Training Director. Requires at least 15-20 hours per weekly commitment. Practicum/internship students are required to attend SCS orientation, which begins in late August or early January of each year.

Application: All applicants must submit an application (included), a letter of interest, curriculum vitae/resume, an unofficial copy of your resume/vita, and two letters of recommendation, as well as sign a SCS Confidentiality Agreement (once accepted into the internship/practicum program). An in-person interview will be required of all final candidates in mid-August or early January.

San Marcos, TX

Texas State Counseling Center
San Marcos, TX

Contact: Dr. Clare Duffy

Phone: (512) 245-2208

Email: cmd101@txstate.edu

Website: http://www.counseling.txstate.edu/training/practicum.html

Clientele/Experienced Gained: Typically offers individual counseling and there are opportunities for group psychotherapy experiences, the administration of objective and projective assessments, and university community outreach activities to Practicum Counselors who express an interest in participating in these areas.

Duration: Time commitment is two semesters, with Option A including 16 hrs/week or two full days and Option B involving 12 hrs/week. Practicum students are required to be at the Center on Fridays 1-3pm. An estimated break down of the hours and further details on the practicum experience is listed on the website.
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Application: Preference given to second and third year doctoral students. Applications are submitted to Dr. Duffy and typical application deadline is early February and interviews are later in February. Requirements include:

- An official transcript of your graduate coursework with at least 24 hours completed or in progress.
- Two references (these could be email addresses or phone numbers where they could be reached) to give information on your academic and/or clinical work.
- Curriculum vita
- Statement of interest (How would a practicum training experience at Texas State University benefit your professional and academic goals/plans?)
- Texas State Practicum Application Form
- An on-site interview

TEMPLE, TX

Central Texas Veterans Healthcare System
Olin E. Teague Veterans’ Medical Center
Temple, TX

Contact: Dr. Regina Hiraoka

Email: Regina.Hiraoka@va.gov

Clientele/Experienced Gained: Rehabilitation Psychology, Veterans, traumatic brain injury,

Duration: 2 semester, 8 hrs/week (minimum one work day) commitment

Application: Submit CV for initial consideration. Potential rotation supervisors will follow-up with students, possibly to include interview and/or writing samples at their discretion.

Additional Information: Sometimes arrange placements in Waco as well.