

DOCTORAL COUNSELING PRACTICUM TRAINING PROGRAM

Counseling and Educational Support Services (CESS) at The University of Kansas Medical Center (KUMC) is offering two doctoral students a focused and intensive practicum experience in providing mental health services to KUMC's diverse student population.

STAFF AND SETTING

The CESS team consists of three licensed psychologists, a postdoctoral fellow, two doctoral practicum counselors, three learning specialists, a writing specialist, and an administrative assistant. Our staff are deeply invested in the practicum training program and provide multiple opportunities for mentorship. CESS works closely with students of medicine, nursing, and other allied health professions to promote their professional development by enhancing their psychological and academic functioning. The most common presenting concerns include: dysfunctional distress (depression/anxiety), relationship concerns, eating disorders, addiction, communication/professionalism problems, and diversity/identity issues.

COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY

An appreciation of human diversity is a cornerstone of our training program. Honoring these values, we seek to recruit a range of candidates, including those from diverse backgrounds and perspectives. We view diversity as encompassing intersecting identities, "including those based on age, gender, gender identity, race, ethnicity, culture, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, disability, language, and socioeconomic status" (APA Ethics Code, 2002, Principle E).

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Practicum counselors will engage in a breadth of training opportunities, including:

- Initial phone consultations and case assignment
- Short- and long-term individual therapy and couples co-therapy
- Group therapy co-facilitated by a staff psychologist (e.g., Interpersonal Growth, Women of Color)
- Group workshops co-facilitated by a staff psychologist (e.g., Diplomacy Skills, Breaking Free from Anxiety)
- Outreach programs for the campus community (e.g., test anxiety, stress management, social justice)
- Individual and group therapy supervision with a licensed psychologist or post-doctoral fellow
- Additional training opportunities include: staff meetings, case collaboration, didactic seminars, special projects, case presentation, mock internship interviews, and more.

ELIGIBILITY

Doctoral students enrolled in CPCE 5631 (UMKC) or Advanced Field work (KU) are eligible to apply. The practicum requires a **minimum of 17 hours per week of on-site commitment**, or 20 hours per week if the practicum counselor would like to acquire group therapy experience, over the course of two academic semesters (Fall/Spring). Those who cannot commit to 17-20 hours per week on-site should not apply.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Eligible doctoral students are encouraged to email the following materials to Dr. Taryn Acosta Lentz: a) letter of interest that outlines relevant clinical experience, training goals for the practicum year, and career aspirations; b) Comprehensive Vitae, which includes prior practicum setting(s), total hours, direct contact hours, supervisor(s), start and end dates; and c) three professional references (Name, Title, Address, Phone, Email). **Application deadline is Friday, January 20, 2017 at 5pm.** Please direct all application materials and questions to: Dr. Taryn Acosta Lentz, PhD via email (tacostalentz@kumc.edu) or phone (913-588-7351).

Respectfully,

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