

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

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:

The Lexington VA Psychology Internship experiences are intended to provide opportunities to practice and expand on previously learned skills, to develop new skills and to experience personal and professional growth.

Our interns come with a wide variety of quality practicum experiences and goals consistent with a broad comprehensive training model. This training model focuses on:

1. Training in a breadth of clinical skills central to the practice of psychology.
2. Training emphasizing content areas relevant to the intern's career goals.
3. Training in the ethical and professional standards central to the practice of psychology. This model emphasizes a flexible, individualized approach to training.

The Lexington VA Health Care System is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We are committed to attracting a range of diversity among our training classes, and we select candidates representing different kinds of programs and theoretical orientations, geographic areas, ages, racial and ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations, disabilities, and life experiences.

Full eligibility information for VA employment can be found at <https://www.va.gov/oaa/hpteligibility.asp>.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens in good standing with and recommended for internship by an American Psychological Association (APA) or Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) accredited graduate program in Clinical, Counseling, or Combined psychology or Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System (PCSAS) accredited program in Clinical Science.

Applicants are ranked based on interests and goals that are consistent with the internship program, the ability to apply assessment and intervention knowledge in clinical areas, appropriate ethical conduct, the interpersonal skills necessary for the professional practice of psychology, and sufficient research 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	Amount: N/A
Total Direct Contact Assessment Hours		No	Amount: N/A

Describe any other required minimum criteria used to screen applicants:

Although there is no set minimum intervention or assessment hours, there is a minimum 500 hour requirement for total hours. The minimum of 500 hours should be documented direct client contact hours through a combination of intervention and assessment hours.

Financial and Other Benefit Support for Upcoming Training Year*

Annual Stipend/Salary for Full-time Interns	\$34,739 (26-27)	
Annual Stipend/Salary for Half-time Interns	N/A	
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)	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?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Other Benefits (please describe): : We allow administrative leave for interns to participate in professionally relevant activities, such as presenting at conferences, defending their dissertation, and other education related activities without using their Annual Leave. Term life insurance is also available.		

* 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)

	2023-2026	
Total # of interns who were in the 3 cohorts	15	
Total # of interns who did not seek employment because they returned to their doctoral program/are completing doctoral degree	2	
	PD	EP
Academic teaching	PD =	EP =
Community mental health center	PD =	EP =
Consortium	PD =	EP =
University Counseling Center	PD =	EP =
Hospital/Medical Center	PD = 1	EP = 1
Veterans Affairs Health Care System	PD = 2	EP = 3
Psychiatric facility	PD = 1	EP =
Correctional facility	PD =	EP =
Health maintenance organization	PD =	EP =
School district/system	PD =	EP =
Independent practice setting	PD = 3	EP =
Other	PD = 1	EP =

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.