

County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health

Student Professional Development Program

Arcadia Mental Health Center

Psychology

☒ Practicum

☐ Internship

DMH Agency:	Arcadia Mental Health Center	
DMH Agency Address:	330 E Live Oak Avenue Arcadia, CA 91006	Service Area 3
DMH Agency Liaison:	Kristin Gray, PsyD	
New or Returning:	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Returning	
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Agency ADA accessible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No" identify:	

Student Requirements:

How many positions will you have?	2
Beginning and ending dates:	August 2025 to July 2026

Please indicate days and times students should be available to provide services, including mandatory staff meetings (SM), training seminars (TR), supervision (SUP), etc.

Student Schedule: General schedule is 8am to 5pm, two days per week (Monday - Thursday)

Monday	8am to 5pm
Tuesday	8am to 5pm
Wednesday	8am to 5pm
Thursday	8am to 5pm
Friday	

Total hours expected to be worked per week:	16+
Number of direct client hours per week anticipated:	10-15
Expected average consumer caseload:	10-12
What cultural groups typically received services at your site?	Multi-cultural populations (Asian, Latino, African American), LGBTQ+, as well as homeless population.

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Description of Site: *(Please describe the type of Agency setting and services offered)*

Arcadia Mental Health Center is a directly operated Department of Mental Health agency that provides mental health treatment to severely, persistently mentally ill adults aged 18 and older. Services that are provided at Arcadia Mental Health Center include: psychosocial assessments, medication treatment, mental health triages, individual psychotherapy, group therapy, individual rehabilitation, and case management.

Target population and types of services provided: *(please check all that apply)*

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individuals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Psychoeducational groups (e.g. Parenting
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Groups	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Outreach
<input type="checkbox"/> Families	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brief treatment to mid-term treatment
<input type="checkbox"/> Children & Adolescents	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Long term treatment
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adults	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crisis Intervention
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Older Adults	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening and Assessment
<input type="checkbox"/> Court/Probation referred	<input type="checkbox"/> Psych Testing (For psychology students only)
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultation/Liaison	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):

What are the most frequent diagnostic categories of your client population?

The most frequent diagnostic categories of our client population are: mood disorders, anxiety disorders, posttraumatic stress disorder, and psychotic disorders such as Schizophrenia and Schizoaffective disorder.

What specific (perhaps unique) training opportunities do students have at your agency?

Students will have access to DMH training opportunities, such as crisis intervention, suicide screening, and evidence-based practices.

What evidence based practices or theoretical orientations will students be exposed to at this site?

Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Seeking Safety, Motivational Interviewing, and Dialectical Behavior Therapy.

Do students have the opportunity to work in a multidisciplinary team environment that includes those with lived experience?

Yes. Students will be able to interact with psychiatrists, nurses, clinical social workers, marriage and family therapists, community workers, and volunteers with lived experience.

List locations where students will be providing services **other than agency**?

Students will be providing services in the clinic. They will not be field-based.

Does your agency allow students to videotape and/or audiotape clients for the purpose of presenting cases in their academic classes? Yes ☐ No ☒

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Supervision:

What types of supervision will be provided for the students and what is the licensure/discipline of the supervisor? Please specify below.

Type	Hours Per Week	On Site Supervisor Degree/Discipline
Individual:	1 hour/week	PsyD
Group:	1 hour/week	PsyD

What is the minimum ratio of supervision to client contact hours?

1 hour/ 7-9 client contact hrs

Does your agency require a particular range of previous experience or specific prerequisite coursework? *If so, please explain.*

This placement is designed for students that have had at least one previous practicum placement with exposure to intake assessments and individual therapy.

Agency Application Process

Mandatory requirements: Only students from academic institutions who have a current affiliation agreement with the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health may be extended a placement opportunity. All students are processed through Human Resources Bureau. All prospective interns must obtain live scan clearance in coordination with HR. All interns are required to complete a mandatory HIPAA Compliance, Sexual Harassment Prevention Training (for line staff), County Policy of Equity, Cyber Security and Privacy Awareness training as part of the terms of their internship.

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