

County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health

Student Professional Development Program

Arcadia Mental Health Center

Social Work

☒ Internship



DMH Agency:	Arcadia Mental Health Center	Service Area 3
DMH Agency Address:	330 E. Live Oak Avenue Arcadia CA 91006	
DMH Agency Liaison:	Fatima Agregado, LCSW	
New or Returning:	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Returning	
Liaison Email Address:	FAgregado@dmh.lacounty.gov	
Liaison Phone Number:	(626) 254-1467	
Agency ADA accessible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No" identify:	

Student Requirements:

How many positions will you have?	3
Beginning and ending dates:	Starting immediately

Student Schedule:

<i>Please indicate days and times students should be available to provide services, including mandatory staff meetings (SM), training seminars (TR), supervision (SUP), etc.</i>	
Monday	TBD (to be discussed)
Tuesday	TBD
Wednesday	TBD
Thursday	TBD
Friday	TBD

Total hours expected to be worked per week:	16 hrs/week (8hrs/d 2x/wk)
Number of direct client hours per week anticipated:	8-14 hours
Expected average consumer caseload:	5-12
What cultural groups typically received services at your site?	Multi-cultural populations (Asian, Latino, African American) as well as homeless pop

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

Arcadia Mental Health Center (AMHC) is a directly operated Department of Mental Health agency that provides mental health treatment to severely, persistently mentally ill adults age 18 and older. Services that are provided at AMHC include: psychosocial assessments, medication treatment, mental health triages, individual psychotherapy, group therapy, individual rehabilitation and targeted 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Court/Probation referred	<input type="checkbox"/> Psych Testing <i>(For psychology students only)</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consultation/Liaison	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(specify):</i>

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

The most frequent diagnostic categories of our client population are: mood disorders such as depression and bi-polar disorder, anxiety disorders such as PTSD and psychotic disorders such as Schizophrenia and Schizoaffective disorder

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

Students can avail of the multitude of training opportunities through DMH such as crisis intervention, suicide screening, 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, Dialectical Behavior Therapy and ASSIST.

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, community workers, psychiatric technicians, 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	Licensed Clinical Social Worker
Group:	TBD	

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

1 hour/5 client contact hrs

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

No. However, we would prefer second year or advanced placement students only.

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. All interns are required to complete a mandatory HIPAA Compliance and Sexual Harassment Prevention Training (for line staff) as part as the terms of their internship.*

DMH Staff completing this form: Fatima Agregado, LCSW

Title: MHC Supervisor

Program Head or District Chief: Dennis Griffin, LCSW

Phone #: (626) 254-1435

☒ Program Manager attests to accepting student placements at this site. Date: 1/24/2025