# **Psychology Predoctoral Residency Programs at**



There are two Predoctoral Psychology Residency Programs at Hamilton Health Sciences, each with separate brochures:

- Clinical Child Psychology (two positions)
   https://www.hamiltonhealthsciences.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Clinical-Child-Residency-Brochure-2021-2022.pdf
- 2. Clinical Neuro Psychology (two positions)
  <a href="https://www.hamiltonhealthsciences.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/NP-Residency-Brochure-2021-2022.pdf">https://www.hamiltonhealthsciences.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/NP-Residency-Brochure-2021-2022.pdf</a>

The Residency Programs at HHS are accredited by the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA). Both the Clinical Child Psychology and Clinical Neuropsychology Residency Programs have been accredited for 6-year terms with the CPA (2015-2016 until 2021-2022). Further information on Accreditation can be obtained from the CPA Accreditation Office – 141 Laurier Avenue West, Suite 702, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5J3, 1-888-472-0657, or online at: http://www.cpa.ca/accreditation/whatis/

## **Impact of COVID-19**

The impact of COVID-19 on the 2021-2022 residency cycle is unknown at this time. Although paid employees, residents are considered learners within HHS, meaning that decisions about whether they are allowed to be onsite and/or engage in direct patient care are determined by the Office of Interprofessional Education, not the Director of Training. Please be advised that some of the descriptions in this brochure may be impacted by COVID-19 disruptions and restrictions within Hamilton Health Sciences (HHS). Some rotations may be unavailable or available only with modifications. Residents may be involved with in-person client contact, virtual care, or a combination of the two. Onsite care may require residents to wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) such as masks. Residents coming from out of province may be required to self-quarantine for two weeks before starting onsite work at HHS. It is important to note that none of our psychologists or residents have been redeployed during the pandemic, and future redeployment is not expected. This residency program is committed to the training of future psychologists, and achieving core competencies will continue to be our top priority.

## **Residency Programs**

In both programs, Residents are exposed to a range of patient populations and intervention approaches through their participation on interdisciplinary teams. This breadth and depth is an attractive attribute of the Predoctoral Residency Programs at Hamilton Health Sciences.

All Residents in the **Clinical Child Psychology Residency** complete core requirements in the Child and Youth Mental Health Outpatient Service, in addition to minor core requirements in the Inpatient Unit, Emergency Department, and Developmental Pediatrics.



to read the story from one of our 2017-2018 Clinical Child Psychology residents.

https://hhsshare.ca/2017/08/psychology-residency-program/

The Clinical Neuropsychology Residents are assigned to primary rotations in the Acquired Brain Injury Program, the Integrated Stroke Program - Rehabilitation Unit, and in the Adult Consultation Neuropsychology Service. Additional rotations outside of their core requirements are coordinated on an individual basis so that each Resident can select experiences that meet their particular needs and goals. Diverse opportunities are offered depending on the Resident's knowledge base and supervisor availability in a given year. See brochure for more details on each of the programs' structure.

The Predoctoral Psychology Residency Programs provide a supervised opportunity for the integrated application of the theoretical, clinical, professional, and ethical knowledge and skills acquired during graduate training. Residents are expected to develop core competence in the assessment and treatment of patients with a range of psychiatric, developmental, medical, learning, neurological, behavioural, and emotional difficulties, and develop independent skills in evidence-based treatment approaches. Supervision in the acquisition and refinement of assessment, formulation, and therapeutic skills is available in behavioural, psychodynamic, cognitive, family, group, neuropsychological, and rehabilitation principles and techniques. Residents are exposed to the work of Psychologists on interdisciplinary inpatient and outpatient teams and have the opportunity to develop skills collaborating with health care professionals from other disciplines, schools, and community agencies. During their residency year, Residents are expected to work with patients from diverse cultural backgrounds. They also participate in teaching, research and supervision experiences along with seminars on ethical and professional standards, interactive case formulation, and didactic presentations.

Funding for the Resident positions is currently \$39,800 for the year. Residents are entitled to 10 paid vacation days and 12 paid statutory holidays, in lieu of benefits. Residents are provided with dedicated office space and technology and current professional assessment materials and equipment.

## **Application Process**

Applicants are required to complete the standard on-line APPI application. This site agrees to abide by the APPIC policy that no person at this training facility will solicit, accept, or use any rank-related information from any applicant. Applications are due by **November 1**<sup>st</sup>.

#### **Public Disclosure Tables**

As part of accreditation, residency sites are required to disclose information about the application and selection process over the last

7 years. Please see the information provided on Page 2 for more information.

### **Pre-Doctoral Residency in Clinical Child Psychology:**

Academic Year/ Cohort	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021
Positions	3	3	3	4	3	3	2
Applications	49	57	57	70	62	55	51
Interviewed	26	27	27	31	29	25	20
Ranked	23	24	23	27	23	24	17
Matched	3	3	3	4	3	3	2
Matched as % Applications	6%	5%	5%	6%	5%	5%	4%
Of those who Matched:							
Males	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Self-Identify as Diverse	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
From Outside of Ontario	0	0	1	2	3	0	0
From Outside of Canada	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Mean Practicum Hours on							
AAPI Assessment &	807	681	687	708	654	667	743
Intervention							
Supervision	402	441	356	279	259	499	439
Support/Indirect	1,228	1,486	1,161	1,372	1,145	929	1055
Mean Total Practicum Hours	2,437	2,608	2,204	2,359	2,059	2,095	2,237
Residency Stipend	\$39,474	\$39,868	\$39,868	\$39,868	\$39,868	\$39,868	\$39,868

# **Pre-Doctoral Residency in Clinical Neuropsychology:**

Academic Year/ Cohort	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021
Positions	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Applications	34	37	27	21	55	27	28
Interviewed	20	24	14	10	22	16	18
Ranked	14	18	12	9	18	14	16
Matched	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Matched as % Applications	6%	5%	7%	10%	4%	7%	7%
Of those who Matched:							
Males	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Self-Identify as Diverse	0	0	0	2	0	1	0
From Outside of Ontario	2	2	2	1	2	2	2
From Outside of Canada	2	2	0	1	2	1	1
Mean Practicum Hours on AAPI Assessment & Intervention	818	1132	452	794	1010	731	978
Supervision	238	466	370	328	294	351	370
Support/Indirect	811	1219	894	714	1417	1027	883
Mean Total Practicum Hours	1867	2817	1716	1836	2721	2109	2231
Residency Stipend	\$39,474	\$39,868	\$39,868	\$39,868	\$39,868	\$39,868	\$39,868

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