



Clinical Alliance Services, LLC

Advanced Psychology Practicum Fellowship: *Assessment Track*

Clinical Alliance Services, LLC offers a 10-month Advanced Psychology Practicum Fellowship for students enrolled in APA-accredited doctoral programs in clinical psychology or counseling psychology. Our training program is ideal for students interested in relational psychodynamic and attachment-based psychotherapy approaches, projective/performance-based assessment, and in working with emerging adults and college students. A time commitment of 24 hours per week is required with 2/3 of this time devoted to psychotherapy training and 1/3 of this time devoted to assessment training. The Advanced Psychology Practicum Fellowship provides Fellows with an introduction to culturally informed, relational psychodynamic treatment approaches and training in psychological, projective/performance-based, and neuropsychological assessment.

Psychotherapy Training Goals

Fellows will learn the basic tenets of relational psychodynamic psychotherapy, including the use of self and relationship to facilitate change in psychotherapy. In collaboration with their supervisors and peers, Fellows will learn to actively reflect on the therapeutic process and their role in it, in service of utilizing interventions and developing clinical formulations, as well as tailoring treatment plans for their clients. Fellows will also be encouraged to critically reflect on the impact of their personal identities and experiences, and the broader systems in which these exist, on their clinical work. Specifically, Fellows will learn to recognize and understand the:

- influence of the unconscious on their and others' behavior;
- impact of early experience on later development;
- how the current therapeutic relationship is influenced by clients' early relationships;
- benefits and limitations of psychodynamic treatment approaches and when alternative treatment approaches, including specialty treatment or higher levels of care, may be clinically indicated; and
- experience of difference and the impact of oppression on their own lives and the lives of clients, including the ability to reflect on the internal unconscious meanings of these experiences and their impact on both the therapeutic relationship and process.

Assessment Training Goals

Fellows will learn to select, administer, score, and interpret psychological, projective/performance-based, and neuropsychological assessments in a clinical setting and have an opportunity to complete up to 10 integrated assessments over the course of the Fellowship. In collaboration with their supervisor, Fellows will learn to integrate testing information using a psychodynamic lens to develop a coherent and thoughtful conceptualization of the individuals they assess. Fellows will be encouraged to expand their thinking and think critically about the impacts of cultural norms, test limitations, and interpretive approaches when testing. Fellows will also learn to use assessment as a tool to provide treatment recommendations, academic accommodations, and therapeutic suggestions within their reports.



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Training Opportunities & Responsibilities

Fellows are expected to:

- Schedule up to 10 psychotherapy sessions per week, resulting in an average of 8 sessions per week, with clients participating in weekly or twice weekly psychotherapy;
- Attend one individual psychotherapy supervision meeting per week;
- Attend one group psychotherapy supervision per week;
- Complete one integrated assessment per month;
- Attend one to two assessment supervision meetings per week;
- Attend a weekly Psychodynamic Theory & Practice Seminar alongside Postgraduate Social Work and Mental Health Counseling Fellows;
- Work three weekdays;
- Be on-site in our Cambridge office one to two weekdays; and
- Provide both in-person and telehealth psychotherapy services, as well as in-person assessment services.

Sample Schedule

Assessment	Psychotherapy
Administration, scoring, interpretation & report-writing: 6 to 7 hour per week	Availability to schedule 10 sessions per week
Individual supervision: 1 to 2 hour per week	Individual Supervision: 1 hour per week
	Group Supervision: 1 to 1.5 hours per week
	Clinical Documentation: 2 hours per week
Meetings with Executive/Training Director: 1 hour per month	

Applicant Requirements

- Coursework in cognitive and/or neuropsychological assessment
- Coursework in personality and/or projective (performance-based) assessment
- Experience administering WAIS-4/WAIS-5 and/or Rorschach with written report
- Minimum of 1 year experience in adult outpatient or college counseling setting
- Completion of 2+ clinical practica / externships

* *WISC does not meet this requirement*

Application Instructions & Deadline

Clinical Alliance Services, LLC follows the recommended application deadlines and notification dates of the Massachusetts Practicum Training Collaborative: <https://massptc.org>

Email the required application materials to training@clinicalallianceservices.com and write “Advanced Psychology Practicum Fellowship: Assessment Track Applicant” in the email subject line. Required application materials include:



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1. “Psychotherapy Statement” addressing your experience with or exposure to relational psychodynamic and attachment-based treatment approaches and the provision of culturally informed care;
2. “Assessment Statement” addressing the following:
 - A. Explain why you are interested in our assessment training program;
 - B. Describe your prior coursework in assessment (e.g., Cognitive Assessment; Neuropsychological Assessment; Projective/Performance-based Assessment; Personality Assessment) and/or other assessment training (e.g., practicum); and
 - C. Indicate your level of familiarity with each of the following assessments using the following scale: 1: Never heard of it, 2: Heard of it, 3: Learned about it formally in class, 4: Administered it, 5: Scored/interpreted it once, 6: Scored/interpreted it more than once
 - i. Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale, Fourth or Fifth Edition (WAIS-4 or WAIS-5);
 - ii. Wechsler Individual Achievement Test, Fourth Edition (WIAT-IV);
 - iii. Dells-Kaplan Executive Function System (D-KEFS);
 - iv. Rey-Osterrieth Complex Figure (ROCF);
 - v. California Verbal Learning Test (CVLT);
 - vi. Monteiro Interview Guidelines for Diagnosing the Autism Spectrum (MIGDAS)
 - vii. Rorschach (R-PAS);
 - viii. Thematic Apperception Test (TAT);
 - ix. Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory-3 (MMPI-3);
 - x. Beck Anxiety Inventory (BAI);
 - xi. Beck Depression Inventory (BDI);
 - xii. Personality Assessment Inventory (PAI);
 - xiii. Ruff 2 & 7 Selective Attention test; and
 - xiv. Other (please specify);
3. Sample assessment/testing report including WAIS-4/WAIS-5 and/or Rorschach
4. Curriculum vitae;
5. Three letters of reference, including references’ contact information, at least two of which should be clinical supervisors; and
6. Official or unofficial copy of graduate transcript.

Start & End Date: The Advanced Psychology Practicum Fellowship starts in September, with a multi-day orientation the last week of August, and terminates at the end of June.

Stipend: \$10,000

Vacation & Holidays: The training year includes a pre-scheduled two-week vacation from December 22, 2025 to January 2, 2026, which may or may not correspond with the winter break of each Fellow’s doctoral program. Fellows are not expected to work on federal holidays, but are expected to reschedule clients whose regular weekly appointments fall on a federal holiday to an alternate day of the same week.

For Additional Information: View our website www.clinicalallianceservices.com, email training@clinicalallianceservices.com or call (617) 307-4470.