

PSY 592 INTERNSHIP - SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY
Western Kentucky University

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Course Description:

Applied supervised experiences for clinical and school psychologists. Students must meet minimum hour requirements as specified by the programs. Students are responsible for their own transportation to internship sites.

Prerequisites: Permission of instructor

Purposes and Goals of the WKU School Psychology Internship

1. To gain experience in the problem-solving model and with data-based decision-making with all aspects of a school psychologist's role with both regular and special education students. **(NASP 2.1, 3.3)**
2. To provide an opportunity to refine consultation skills with parents, teacher, special service personnel in schools, school administrators, and personnel from other community agencies. **(NASP 2.2, 3.3)**
3. To provide an opportunity to refine psychoeducational diagnostic skills. **(NASP 2.1, 2.3, 3.3)**
4. To gain an overview of the public school as an organization, including its relationship to other societal agencies, its policies, personnel, etc. **(NASP 2.7, 2.10, 3.3)**
5. To develop sensitivity to classroom interactions and factors influencing the classroom atmosphere. **(NASP 2.5, 3.3)**
6. To develop an understanding of the role of preventive and direct mental health services in school programs. **(NASP 2.4, 2.6, 3.3)**
7. To gain experience with an interdisciplinary team approach to child study and the RTI process. **(NASP 2.1, 2.3, 3.3)**
8. To apply principles of research related to diversity in children, families, schools, and communities and ensure equitable service delivery. **(NASP 2.8, 3.3)**
9. To be exposed to the implications of legal constraints and legislative initiatives on school psychology practice. **(NASP 2.10, 3.3)**
9. To provide the opportunity to apply theoretical knowledge to the educational system and problem-solving process. **(NASP 2.1, 3.3)**
10. To practice ethically within the guidelines of NASP and to follow state and federal educational law and local district policies and procedures. **(NASP 2.10, 3.3)**

Course Expectations:

Detailed expectations for the culminating internship experience are detailed in the school psychology Internship Handbook.

Required WKU Syllabus Information**Face Coverings**

Out of respect for the health and safety of the WKU community and in adherence with CDC guidelines, the University requires that a cloth face covering (reusable or disposable) that covers both the nose and mouth must be worn at all times when in public areas within all buildings. Students must properly wear face coverings while in class regardless of the room size or the nature of the classroom activities. Students who fail to wear a face covering as required will be in violation of the WKU Student Code of Conduct and will be asked to comply or will face disciplinary action, including possible dismissal from the University. Accommodations to face coverings must be determined by the Student Accessibility Resource Center and documented before a student may attend class.

Accommodations

In compliance with University policy, students with disabilities who require academic and/or auxiliary accommodations for this course must contact the Student Accessibility Resource Center located in Downing Student Union, Room 1074. The SARC can be reached by phone number at 270-745-5004 [270-745-3030 TTY] or via email at sarc.connect@wku.edu. Please do not request accommodations directly from the professor or instructor without a faculty notification letter (FNL) from The Student Accessibility Resource Center.

Title IX/Discrimination & Harassment Statement

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