PSY 592 INTERNSHIP - SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY
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Course Description:
Field experience for clinical, school, industrial, or other psychologists. Required for Kentucky certification. Typically taken in the student's last semester(s) in residence. (Students are responsible for arranging their own transportation to designated or assigned sites.)

Prerequisites: Permission of instructor

General Goals of Internship:
1. To provide an opportunity to refine psychoeducational and diagnostic skills;
2. To gain experience in the assessment/evaluation of and developing behavior management skills for a wide range of regular education and special needs in school-aged individuals, and those from different cultures;
3. To provide an opportunity to refine consultation skills with parents, teachers, special service personnel in schools, school administrators, personnel from community agencies, and diverse groups;
4. To gain an overview of the public school as an organization, including its relationship to other societal agencies, its policies, personnel, etc.;
5. To develop awareness of classroom interactions and factors influencing classroom atmosphere and learning environments;
6. To develop an understanding of the role of preventive psychological health in educational programs;
7. To gain experience with an interdisciplinary team approach to child study and be knowledgeable in state and federal laws and regulations affecting all students;
8. To be exposed to the implications of legal issues and legislative initiatives on school psychology practice;
9. To have the opportunity to apply theoretical and practical knowledge to the problem solving process; and
10. To practice ethically within NASP guidelines for professional practice and to follow federal regulations and state guidelines.

Course Expectations:
Detailed expectations for the culminating internship experience are detailed in the Internship Handbook.
In compliance with university policy, students with disabilities who require accommodations (academic adjustments and/or auxiliary aids or services) for this course must contact the Office for Student Disability Services in DUC A-200 of the Student Success Center in Downing University Center. The phone number is 745-5004.

Please DO NOT request accommodations directly from the professor or instructor without a letter of accommodation from the Office for Student Disability Services.