

BASICS

Brief

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Screening and

Intervention for

College

Students

APPLICATION

Graduate Assistantship

Counseling and Psychological Services
Hudson Health Center, 3rd Floor
Ohio University

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We are pleased that you are considering a Graduate Assistantship in the BASICS program Counseling & Psychological Services (CPS). Counselor Education grad students are strongly encouraged to combine this GA opportunity with additional clinical experiences at CPS in order to satisfy requirements for their practicum/internship. The following information may be of assistance to you in your consideration of this placement with CPS.

1. You must have completed an introductory course or its equivalent in interviewing skills before beginning your CPS placement.
2. You must have completed an introductory course or its equivalent in diagnosis prior to a CPS placement.
3. CPS GA placements are for three quarters, beginning in late-August and ending with the completion of Spring quarter.

This Graduate Assistantship through CPS and your department is designed to give you specific experience in dealing with substance using and abusing college-aged students. The students that you will see have all had an infraction involving alcohol that has resulted in their referral to Judiciaries. An initial screening suggests that their involvement with alcohol and/or marijuana is substantial enough to warrant further assessment and intervention. The goal of the BASICS program is to enable these students to take a realistic look at their own use and to experience this in an environment that is not accusatory, but rather encouraging and motivating to help them move to the next step in the change process to less harmful use of substances. This structured assessment intervention uses motivational interviewing and harm reduction as the therapeutic modalities to engage this change process. We will train you in these techniques and provide ongoing instruction and supervision throughout your placement.

Candidates for placement at CPS should complete this application packet and return it to Jason Weber on the third floor of Hudson Health Center. Additional application packets may be obtained by contacting Jason Weber at weberj1@ohio.edu or (740) 593-1616.

Please complete the BASICS application packet, and include any other material that you think may assist us in considering your application. We have limited interviewing opportunities, and hire qualified candidates as opportunities occur – hence it is a good idea to apply sooner rather than later. The number of students we can accommodate is limited. The deadline for submitting an application is April 15 each Spring Quarter. Applications can be submitted at anytime prior to April 15.

If you have questions please contact Jason Weber (or in his absence, Sheila Williams) at (740) 593-1616. The staff at Counseling and Psychological Services wishes you the very best in your chosen profession. Thank you for your interest in an assistantship in the BASICS Program at CPS.

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VARIETY AND TYPE OF PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Clinical Experiences

The BASICS Program is an empirically-validated strategy. BASICS Counselors gain familiarity and training in the following:

1. Conducting brief interventions using Motivational Interviewing.
2. Identifying and differentiating substance use, abuse and dependence.
3. Identifying other mental health issues or concerns.
4. Applying appropriate risk reduction strategies.
5. Assessing stage of change to deliver a personalized intervention.
6. Integrating educational interventions into the clinical process.
7. Working productively with mandated, and, at times, resistant clients.
8. Integrating assessment instruments (e.g., Beck Depression Inventory II, Beck Anxiety Inventory, Socrates 8A and 8D, Brief Young Adult Alcohol Consequences Questionnaire) into client-centered feedback.

Administrative Experiences

The BASICS Program Graduate Assistants have been instrumental to the formation and fine-tuning of this intervention, taking initiative to create, coordinate and maintain the day to day operations. In addition to clinical responsibilities, BASICS Counselors share administrative responsibilities that contribute to their professional development.

BASICS Counselors:

1. Participate in a weekly staff meeting to address programmatic issues.
2. Create, organize and secure client files, including electronic information.
3. Monitor all aspects of their work to ensure HIPAA compliance.
4. Contribute to the development and revision of Policies and Procedures.
5. Occasionally consult with outside professionals to improve service delivery.
6. Participate in identification of training needs.

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NAME _____ DATE _____

STUDENT ID#: _____

Bachelor's DEGREE _____

DEGREE SOUGHT _____

LOCAL ADDRESS _____

LOCAL PHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____

PERM. ADDRESS _____

OUT-OF-TOWN PH. # _____

EMAIL _____

Please provide the names of two professionals who are familiar with your clinical and/or drug and alcohol work. At least one of these two professionals must be a faculty member in your department.

1. NAME _____ PHONE _____

TITLE _____ EMAIL _____

2. NAME _____ PHONE _____

TITLE _____ EMAIL _____

Please include a copy of your transcript (may be unofficial) with your application materials. We will also need a curriculum vita / resume.

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As part of your application process please **type** your responses to the following questions on a separate sheet of paper with your name on it.

1. Why would you like a placement as a GA with the BASICS program? What interests you about this position?
2. Are you interested in completing a practicum, internship, or field placement as an additional component of the BASICS experience? (Counselor Education and Social Work students: please note we will give priority to applicants who are seeking practicum-internship or field placements).
2. Please describe all past experience, excluding coursework, but including clinical experiences relevant to working in this substance use treatment project.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE WORKSHEET

Please list courses you have taken in interviewing and/or diagnosis.

Course #	Course title	Quarter/Year	Grade
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Please list courses you have taken in chemical dependency and/or assessment

Course #	Course title	Quarter/Year	Grade
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Optional listing of other courses or training relevant to this placement at CPS:

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APPLICANT PERMISSION

Your application must include this endorsement from your Advisor or Program Director.

NAME (please print): _____

Has my permission to apply to Ohio University Counseling and Psychological Services (CPS), 3rd Floor, Hudson Health Center, for a Graduate Assistantship as a BASICS Counselor. She/he has also demonstrated good clinical instincts and/or skills in prior coursework, class participation, and/or counseling experiences.

Please check one:

Advisor Program Director

Printed name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____