

Pratt Institute Counseling Services
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Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program in Psychology

The Counseling Center at the Pratt Institute offers services to its diverse and international community of approximately 5,000 undergraduate and graduate students studying in the Schools of Art, Design, Architecture, Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Information. We are staffed by 6 full-time experienced clinicians; 4 psychologists and 2 clinical social workers, whose practice is informed by humanistic, developmental, psychodynamic, and cognitive behavioral theoretical orientations. Counseling Services are located in the main Brooklyn campus in the historic neighborhood of Clinton Hill and offers satellite services in its Manhattan campus in Union Square.

Overview:

The post-doctoral program in psychology offers two full-time psychoanalytically oriented fellowships for a 12-month training in college counseling with a stipend of \$40,000. Fellows are considered full members of staff and will deliver the full range of clinical services under supervision by a multidisciplinary team of licensed psychologists and clinical social workers. Fellows provide clinical care to students including individual and group therapy, triage assessments, intake assessments, case management, crisis intervention and urgent care, psychoeducational workshops, outreach, consultation, and referrals. All students seeking treatment are screened in a triage assessment for their first appointment. Fellows serve as members of the Triage Team and present their assessments during our disposition meetings where senior supervisory staff provide treatment recommendations. During these meetings Fellows have a voice in designing their caseloads based on experience level and interest. The majority of the Fellows time is spent providing individual psychotherapy which is coupled with extensive supervision, individually and in a group format alongside a weekly reading seminar with topics ranging from how to think about time as a function of clinical work with young adults to the relationship between the individual and the social to the study of the creative process. The Counseling center does not have a fixed number of sessions and Fellows have an opportunity do short-term work as well as more intensive work depending on students clinical need and presentation.

Training:

- 2 hours of individual supervision per week
- 1 hour of group supervision per week
- 1 hour of multi-disciplinary case management group supervision per week
- 3 hours of triage assessment disposition group supervision per week
- 2 hours didactic training per week

- 1 hour all staff health and counseling meeting per month

Clinical Services:

- Individual therapy - approximately 15 client caseload
- Intake interviewing and assessment
- Group therapy
- Case Management
- Crisis assessment, intervention, and urgent care
- Consultation
- Referrals
- Outreach and psychoeducational workshops

Mission:

The mission of the fellowship is to provide high quality training to Fellows who have a passion for university counseling and who would like to further their professional development in college mental health practices with particular focus on clinical work with art students. The goal is that upon completion Fellows will be prepared for independent clinical work at a university counseling center or other clinical placement.

With this aim, the post-doctoral program follows a practitioner-scholar model whereby clinical practice is informed by scholarly inquiry. As part of their training, Fellows participate in reading seminars and workshops run by invited speakers from the wider clinical community and whose expertise reflects the clinical concerns encountered working with young adults. The emphasis is on clinical practice embedded with scholarly skills including critical thinking, conceptualization, problem-solving, and involvement in research/program evaluation. We are committed to training reflective and informed practitioners. The integration of practice and scholarship defines the training program.

To apply:

Please email your resume and cover letter to Caroline Kasnakian, Psy.D. Director of Counseling Services at ckasnaki@pratt.edu or Olga Poznansky, PhD. Associate Director of Counseling Services at opoznans@pratt.edu

We will begin reviewing applications in January, interview in February and March for an August 28th start date coinciding with the beginning of the Fall 2019 semester. We will give priority to applications received by December 20th. Applications will be considered until positions are filled.

