

CHAC PRACTICUM PROGRAM 2024-25



CHAC SUPPORTS CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AS A COMMUNITY-BASED MENTAL HEALTH ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES ACCESS TO COMPREHENSIVE AND CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE SERVICES. FOR 50 YEARS, CHAC HAS MAINTAINED AN OUTSTANDING REPUTATION FOR QUALITY MFT TRAINEE AND ASSOCIATE, AND DOCTORAL PRACTICUM TRAINING IN THE BAY AREA AND IS THE PLACEMENT OF CHOICE FOR STUDENTS COMPLETING MFT, PCC, OR DOCTORAL UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS, AND LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.

FOR MFT TRAINEES:

- 10-month Practicum Program, beginning mid-August 2024 through mid-June 2025;
- Paid, 24 hours per week positions;
- Increased pay rate for Bilingual Spanish Trainees;
- Two (or more) full days per week of school-based counseling and community outreach in the Mountain View, Los Altos, or Sunnyvale School Districts;
- Weekly Didactic Training provided by esteemed mental health professionals;
- Weekly Individual and Group supervision (in English or Spanish) provided by licensed and experienced MFT and Doctoral staff, as required by Board of Behavioral Science (BBS) guidelines;
- A wide variety of experience with client care, community support, and SEL support;
- Liability Insurance extended to Trainees;
- Supportive and diverse cohort.

FOR MFT ASSOCIATES:

- Opportunities for full-time (32 hours/week) paid positions in elementary, middle, and high schools;
- Paid sick and vacation time; full medical benefits;
- Increased pay rate for Bilingual Spanish clinicians;
- All of the Trainee benefits are included.

REQUIREMENTS:

- All MFT traineeships require a minimum commitment of 24 hours per week, August-June, providing prevention and intervention mental health services;
- MFT Trainees must be currently enrolled in a counseling psychology Master's program and have completed the minimum course work to be enrolled in a Practicum class;
- MFT Associates must have received their Master's degree and be registered, or within 90 days of registration, as an MFT Associate with the Board of Behavioral Sciences;
- Holidays and vacations are in conjunction with school holidays only;
- Strong collaboration, communication and writing skills required.

"CHAC HAS PROVIDED ME WITH THOROUGH TRAININGS AND WONDERFUL SUPERVISORS AS A TRAINEE. SUPERVISORS PROVIDE SO MUCH SUPPORT AND THE TRAININGS MADE ME FEEL WELL-EQUIPPED TO PROVIDE SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES AND FEEL CONFIDENT IN MY ABILITIES."
– J.H., MFT TRAINEE