



Western Carolina University
Counseling and Psychological Services

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in our internship program. The Counseling and Psychological Services (CPS) at Western Carolina University (WCU) offers two full-time pre-doctoral internships in professional psychology. Our internship program is intended to meet the requirements set forth in the North Carolina Psychology Practice Act and we are currently Association of Psychology Postdoctoral and Internship Centers (APPIC) members and hope to begin the process for American Psychological Association (APA) accreditation soon. CPS is also a member of the Association of Counseling Center Training Agencies.

CPS primarily serves students of WCU, but also serves the consultation needs of faculty, staff, and parents. WCU has approximately 9,000 students and offers 120 majors and minors. WCU is a member of the University of North Carolina system and is located between the Blue Ridge and Great Smoky Mountains. WCU is about a three hour drive from Charlotte, NC; Atlanta, GA; Knoxville, TN; and Greenville, SC.

The purpose of the internship is to foster continued development of a trainees' ability to provide ethical and culturally competent clinical services. The primary focus of the internship will be on providing individual and group counseling services, but will also have the opportunity to provide consultation for faculty/staff, supervision, and emergency services. In our psychological testing rotation you will have the opportunity to further expand your assessment skills. Interns provide outreach services and participate in interventions that impact the entire campus. We also support continuation of research and professional development. For more information about the program, please feel free to request a copy of our training manual by emailing me.

The internship is 2,000 hours completed over 12 months from August 1, 2012 to July 31, 2013. The stipend for the year is \$23,600, which is competitive with other site in the region. In addition to the stipend the position also includes health insurance and other benefits provided through the NC state employee benefits. Interns also have full access to WCU's library and statistics software.

I hope that you will give strong consideration to submitting your application. I wish you all the best in your match process.

Sincerely,

Michael L. McIntosh, Psy.D.
Training Director