

"I learned to be patient and to identify the positive aspects of my mistakes. In general, I truly think that I'm a better professional and person after this excellent experience." —Manuel C.

Mission

The mission of the Student Internship Program is to provide an enriched clinical training experience focusing on building clinical and cultural competency for students preparing for a career in behavioral health. The County of Santa Clara Behavioral Health Services Department prides itself in its ongoing commitment to training clinicians with a foundation based on the concepts of the Mental Health Services Act.



Participating Programs

For Academic Year 2020

Juvenile Hall

840 Guadalupe Pkwy., San José

Juvenile Hall offers the unique opportunity to work with incarcerated juveniles. You will be able to work in teams and collaborate with Probation and Juvenile Court.

Las Plumas Behavioral Health Clinic

1650-K Las Plumas Ave., San José

This is an outpatient mental health clinic that serves children, adolescents, and families. Las Plumas provides you with the opportunity to work with Juvenile Probation and Social Services while providing services to youths and their families.

Sunnyvale Behavioral Health Clinic

660 South Fair Oaks Ave., Sunnyvale

This is an outpatient clinic serving families and children (ages 0 – 18) who suffer with mental health illness. You will have the opportunity to work directly with a psychiatrist as well as special needs and educational programs.



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Program Description

The County of Santa Clara Behavioral Health Services Department's award winning Student Intern Program is dedicated to training students in both clinical and community work in a public behavioral health setting.

The fundamental concepts that direct all services in the department are founded in the six Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) General Standards (WIC § 5813.5(d); 9 CCR § 3320):

1. **Community Collaboration**
2. **Cultural Competence**
3. **Client Driven**
4. **Family Driven**
5. **Wellness, Recovery, and Resilience Focused**
6. **Integrated Service Experience**



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Why Us?

The BHSD Student Intern Program provides you with highly desirable skills and experiences that will prepare you for a successful career.

Program Benefits

The Student Internship Program is renowned throughout the clinical delivery sector for its quality of training and experience.

The program offers support for your growth as a professional through:

- Exposure and consultation on delivery of evidence based practices.
- Onsite emotionally available and highly skilled supervisors.
- Respect for your unique contributions and your own learning style.
- Manageable challenges to help you find your clinical edge without feeling overwhelmed.

Training Benefits

- Knowledgeable and experienced supervisors
- Reflective Practice consultations
- Diverse placement opportunities
- Individual and group supervision
- Evidence based clinical trainings

As a county intern you will integrate into the department's multidisciplinary teams which gives you the opportunity to have an enriched experience as you share ideas with professionals of other disciplines.

Online Resources

Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE)
www.coamfte.org

California Board of Behavioral Sciences
www.bbs.ca.gov

American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy
www.aamft.org

California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (CAMFT)
www.camft.org

CAMFT–Santa Clara Valley Chapter
www.scv-camft.org

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