

APA Accredited Internships

The clinical faculty expects that all students will apply to and be accepted for APA approved internships. These internships have passed the highest available level of review.

APPIC Member Internships

There are some situations in which a student will be unable to do an APA internship, but will instead have one or more APPIC approved internships to which she or he wishes to apply. In accepting an APPIC approved internship that is not APA approved a student should be aware that there can be future disadvantages. Some work settings or state licensure boards may require an APA internship and one would be locked out of those options as a result.

Non-APPIC or APA Internships

There are two circumstances under which the faculty will consider approving a Non-APA, Non-APPIC internship. One circumstance is when a student is unsuccessful in obtaining an APA/APPIC internship (typically after two years). Secondly, under very exceptional circumstances, if a student wishes to craft her or his own internship and that internship is neither APA accredited nor an APPIC member, it would require a vote of the clinical faculty well ahead of time for such an internship to be approved. The student must submit a detailed plan and demonstrate in detail how the plan would meet APPIC requirements. The student must also have a very persuasive explanation for failing to apply for accredited internships. The faculty will approve such an internship only under the most exceptional conditions. The faculty will ask the student to acknowledge in writing that they may be handicapped by not doing an accredited internship.