



YALE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Department of Psychiatry / Psychology Section

Doctoral Internship Policy & Procedures

Academic Preparation Policy

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1. Requirements to Apply:

- a) Enrolled in an APA or CPA accredited doctoral program in clinical, counseling or clinical and community psychology*
- b) Minimum 450 face-to-face hours of assessment and intervention combined at time of application**
- c) At least three years of graduate training
- d) Passed the comprehensive or qualifying exam by the application deadline
- e) Approved dissertation proposal by the application deadline

*Neither the program nor the student may be on probation at the time of the application deadline

**Terminal masters hours count if the application indicates that these were verified by the doctoral program director of clinical training

- #### 2. Requirements for Acceptance:
- Practicum and academic preparation are evaluated through a thorough application review and interview process. During the application review, applicants are assessed on: (a) whether they meet the program's admission requirements; (b) the congruence between their goals and the training offered in their preferred placement(s); (c) the congruence between their previous training and experience and the training offered in the placement(s); (d) prior education; (e) experience with diverse patients/consumers/participants; (f) quality and clarity of writing; (g) professional development and conduct; and (h) potential for leadership in the field. Information acquired through the interview process contributes to a decision about applicants' preparation for the placement and internship, interpersonal skills, and overall fit for the placement and internship.

The program does not make exceptions to these criteria. Applications received from individuals who do not fully met each of the criteria will not be considered.