Practicum Training

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About us: IMCES is a community clinic in Los Angeles County established in 1989 by Dr. Tara Pir with the mission of promoting human rights and social justice.

IMCES contributes to the community in 2 major domains:
1. Direct Services to culturally diverse individuals and families with the spectrum of mental health challenges including prevention and early intervention, moderate to severe mental illness.
2. APA Accredited clinical training programs for doctoral and postdoctoral residency programs.
3. Practicum Opportunity: IMCES has limited positions available for practicum training.

Target Population to serve:
IMCES is committed to providing direct services to underserved culturally diverse communities in LA County with the spectrum of prevention and early intervention (PEI), moderate (MMI) and severe mental illness (SMI).

IMCES method of service delivery is field based and practicum intern is required to have reliable transportation, clean and clear driving record, and valid insurance coverage.

Structure of Practicum Training
(SPE: Supervised Professional Experience)
- 20 hours a week including the following:
  - 15 hours of direct service to clients: individual, group, collateral
    - (rehabilitation, skill building model of intervention)
  - 5 hours of indirect activity including:
    - 2 hours of didactic seminar (to be selected from: risk assessment and intervention, law and ethics, diversity and advocacy, assessment/documentation, intervention)
    - 3 hours supervision: 1 hour individual, 2 hours group supervision (multidisciplinary team meetings/case presentations & feedback)

*Practicum does not include stipend*

Required Documents for Application:
Applicants must submit the following to internship@imces.org
1. Letter of intent/ essay indicating goodness of fit between self-interest, personal/professional goals and the IMCES mission and philosophy of training program. The essay must reflect on the following:
   - Personal lived experience, Professional lived experience, Advocacy project experiences
2. Completed Application Form [DOWNLOAD HERE]
3. Updated Resume
4. 2 Letters of reference from professors or previous supervisors
5. Referral Letter: Verification of Qualification from Applicant School’s Clinical Training Program
6. Official Transcripts from Applicant’s Graduate School

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