



Undergraduate Internship Experiences at USF



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Benefits

- ✔ Gain clinical experience
- ✔ Establish professional connections with community partners
- ✔ Understand and apply evidence-based techniques
- ✔ Provide service for community agencies and mental health clients in the Tampa Bay area

Current Partnerships

- ✔ Agency for Community Treatment
- ✔ Bay Area Neuropsychology
- ✔ Crisis Center of Tampa Bay
- ✔ Crisis Text Line
- ✔ Gracepoint (formerly Mental Health Care)
- ✔ Guardian ad Litem
- ✔ Metropolitan Ministries
- ✔ Miracles Outreach Community Development Center
- ✔ Peace River Mental Health Center
- ✔ Pinellas Safe Harbor / Public Defender's Office
- ✔ Private Practice Offices
- ✔ Registered Behavior Technicians
- ✔ Resilience, Inc.
- ✔ Riverside Recovery
- ✔ USF Title IX
- ✔ USF Victims' Advocacy

Here's What Student Interns Have To Say!

CRISIS TEXT LINE |

Text HELLO to 741741

Free, 24/7, Confidential

"The CTL gave me a chance to be a real empathy MVP, learn how to be authentic, and be an anchor for clients. This is how I found my voice. As a crisis counselor, I chat with people in some of their heaviest and thickest moments ever! It's humbling to be ears to untold stories and also at the same time potentially save their life."



JOHNS HOPKINS
All Children's Hospital

"I would advise anyone to seek an internship in their field of interest. Besides the obvious of helping people and gaining experience, the biggest pro I have found would be the networking opportunities. With time, I was able to not only receive letters of recommendation for graduate school, but was also offered a job at All Children's Hospital. An internship at ACH gave me so much more in the end than any classroom setting ever could."



"I was given the opportunity to work as a psychologist assistant at the Tampa Bay Family Therapy Center. It was an opportunity of a lifetime. As many know, internships of this kind are uncommon for undergrads. I was given the chance to observe and help deliver multidisciplinary treatment with the study team in the group therapy/social skills program with children with social, emotional, and behavioral challenges. It was the best internship I have held."



"My internship at Bay Area Neuropsychology was what helped me find my career passion, the career that allows me to help so many people. Take the opportunity! It may open many doors."

More About Volunteer Opportunities and Internships

Online Resources

Volunteer Opportunities
(Searchable data-bases):

- ✔ <http://www.volunteermatch.org/>
- ✔ <http://www.idealists.org/>
- ✔ <http://www.volunteersuncoast.org/>

Job Opportunities (Searchable data-bases):

- ✔ <http://www.indeed.com/>
- ✔ <http://www.careerbuilder.com/>
- ✔ <http://www.monster.com>

On Campus Resources

USF Career Services:

<http://www.usf.edu/career-services/>

- ✔ Career consultants
- ✔ Job search (Handshake)
- ✔ Internships

USF Human Resources:

<http://www.usf.edu/administrative-services/human-resources/>

Jobs at USF are for students, alumni, and the general public

Courses Offered

1. Community Practicum in Mental Health: CLP 4941

- ✔ Instructor: Dr. Vicky Phares phares@usf.edu
- ✔ Offered in Fall and Spring Semesters
- ✔ Credits:
 - ✔ 3 credits (for 8 hours/week at the internship) including one hour/week of on-site supervision

2. Community Internship: IDS 4942

- ✔ Instructor: Dr. Vicky Phares phares@usf.edu
- ✔ Offered in Fall, Spring, and Summer
- ✔ Credits:
 - ✔ 1 credit (for 3+ hours/week at the internship)
 - ✔ 2 credits (for 4+ hours/week at the internship)
 - ✔ 3 credits (for 8+ hours/week at the internship)
 - ✔ 4 Credits (for 11+ hours/week at the internship)

