# Site Supervisor Orientation

**Counseling Program** 

Department of Counseling, Leadership and Special Education

Missouri State University





### **CACREP**

- CACREP is the <u>C</u>ouncil for <u>A</u>ccreditation of <u>C</u>ounseling and <u>R</u>elated <u>E</u>ducational <u>P</u>rograms
- Accreditation standards
  - educational and institutional guidelines
  - individual student learning outcomes
  - Including Practicum and Internship experiences!





- Thank you for working alongside the MSU Counseling Faculty to support counseling students in this next big step towards becoming certified and/or licensed Counselors!
- Welcome to this orientation training.
- Welcome back to those of you who are updating your training!





- Orientation is in this online format, so please review each slide.
- Click on the <u>hyperlinks</u> to expand the information.
- If you have questions about the internship or supervision process, contact the Internship Coordinator: Amy Chenoweth (amelia302@missouristate.edu) or 417-860-8684
- Follow the instructions on the last slide to show you completed this training. We will send you confirmation.



- •Follow the instructions to show you completed this training.
- \We will send confirmation that you have completed this orientation training.
- Orientation training is renewed every three years.

Let's begin!



### **Program Description**

- CACREP accredited program.
- School Counseling and Community Mental Health tracks lead to certification and/or licensure-eligible degrees.
- All students complete 60 hours of <u>coursework</u>:
  - Includes core curriculum with focus on national standards of professional and ethical practice.
  - Practicum and internship placements including partnerships with area schools and community agencies which provide realworld, real-time experiences.



### Sequence for field placement

- CACREP requires 700 hours of total field placement hours.
  - 100 total hours of Practicum
  - 600 total hours of Internship
- MSU students begin this process with <u>pre-requisite coursework</u>. (must be passed with a B or better)
  - COU 710/711 Counseling and Helping Relationships and Counseling and Helping Relationships Lab
    - This lab provides an opportunity to practice basic counseling skills in roleplayed sessions with live observation, video-taped review and supervisory feedback.



### Sequence for field placement

- •Additional prerequisite coursework (passed at a B or better) includes:
  - COU 714 Social-Cultural Diversity in Counseling
  - COU 751 Theories and Techniques of Counseling

- •Students are encouraged to complete these courses before beginning field placements:
- •COU 708: Play Therapy and Child Counseling Techniques
- •COU 720: Substance Use and Addictions Issues in Counseling
- COU 733: Couple and Family Counseling



### **MSU Counseling Practicums**

- •MSU Counseling students begin with Practicum work at <u>Center City Counseling Clinic</u>, the MSU-sponsored community mental health clinic.
- •Students earn **100 total hours** at the Practicum Level.
- •40 hours must be direct client contact.
- •Typically, university faculty provide the clinical supervision on-site (group & individual/triadic)
- •Some students have a 2<sup>nd</sup> semester placement offsite at school or community sites.



Students pose in a therapy room inside Center City Clinic.



### Internships

- Students complete 600 total hours of "supervised counseling...in roles and settings...relevant to their specialty area." (2016 CACREP Standards)
- Must include a minimum 240 clock hours of direct service
- May be completed in at least two or more semesters as needed.







- Students must successfully complete practicum, including hours, skills assessments, "dispositions" evaluations.
- Students then apply for approval to enter the internship program.
- All "compliance" documents and required trainings must be completed and up-to-date.





- Must be completed before students are released to register for any Practicum or Internship:
- Compliances required by MSU are found here: <u>Compliance Documents</u>
- These include:
  - FBI Background check with fingerprinting (MOVECHS)
  - Professional Liability Insurance (ASCA or ACA)



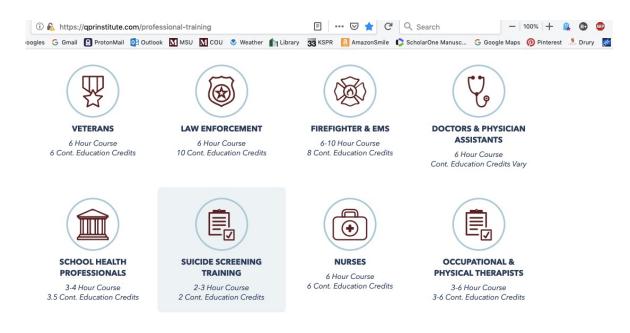


- The MSU Counseling Program requires additional training by all students before entering Practicum:
  - Suicide Prevention Training
  - Mandated Reporter Training



### Required Training: Suicide Screening

- All students complete:
- Suicide Screening Training using the QPR Institute Model.







### **Required Training: Suicide Prevention**

- Required Training includes:
- Suicide Prevention Training using the QPR Institute Model.

https://qprinstitute.com/individual-training for the Gatekeeper Training.

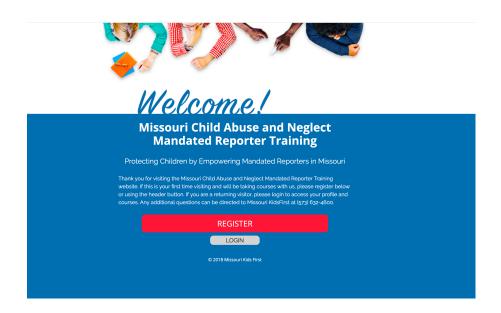




### Required Training: Mandated Reporter

Mandated Reporter Training at

protectmokids.com: Mandated Reporter Training





### Mental Health Internships

- Students are encouraged to choose their own sites.
- MSU develops MOU with approved sites, and provides lists to students
- MSU encourages the development of new sites.
- Students typically stay at the same site for more than one semester.
- Site application process varies by site; students approach this process similar to any employment application.
- Students need to provide direct counseling services for approximately 8-11 hours each week.



### **Mental Health Internships**

- Students need to provide direct counseling services for approximately 8-11 hours each week and be on-site about 17-20 hours to meet the required 240 direct/600 total hours requirement.
- MSU Counseling students enter your internship site with 100 hours completed at Center City Clinic. They are eager to begin work at your internship site, within their ability level (scope of practice).
- Their university supervisor and you should maintain good communication about your student's progress!
  - Documentation, email, phone calls, site visits, etc. will help!



### **School Counseling Internships**

- Students are encouraged to find their own sites.
- Will typically work a different site each semester— Elementary/Secondary
- DESE has <u>specific evaluation procedures</u> for school counseling interns.
- All supervisors need to complete the DESE training related to the MSCE
- (<a href="https://dese.mo.gov/college-career-readiness/school-counseling/counselor-educators">https://dese.mo.gov/college-career-readiness/school-counseling/counselor-educators</a>) Please email your certificate to MSU internship coordinator and retain a copy for yourself and your admin.



### Site Supervisor Requirements

- •Agency/School must sign Memorandum of Understanding with College of Education at Missouri State University
- Be fully licensed or certified in Missouri, with minimum of two years post-licensure experience.
- School Counselors are required by DESE to have five years post-mentorship experience.
- Clinical supervision for Mental Health interns to be provided by LPC or Licensed Psychologists. (On-site *work* supervisors may include other clinical disciplines\*)



### Site Supervisor Requirements

- Complete site supervisor training every three (3) years
- Review online orientation annually, more often if needed.
- Provide the following documents as often as needed:
  - Current copy of resume or CV to MSU Internship Coordinator, with:
  - Contact Information •Credentials Degrees •Relevant work experience.
  - Current professional license or certification credential
  - Current Professional Liability Insurance





- Provide average of one hour per week of face-to-face clinical supervision throughout the student's entire placement at your site.
- Complete all required documentation.
- Engage in professional and ethical supervision as outlined in the ASCA or ACA Guidelines.



### Site Supervisor Requirements

- Be fully engaged in the supervisory process throughout the experience.
- Be accessible to the intern for assistance, support and crisis care.
- If you are unable to provide supervision or are inaccessible for a period of time, arrange for a qualified back up, and inform the <a href="Internship">Internship</a>
  <a href="Coordinator">Coordinator</a>.
- Contact the student's university supervisor or the Counseling Program internship coordinator as soon as concerns are noted.
- Phone, email or using provided documentation are all appropriate ways for contact, depending on level of need.



- A model for supervision is crucial to our development as counselors.
- Developmental Models show the supervisee growing and changing over time, as a result of supervision.
- Thompson (2004) identified 3 stages of supervision:
  - Dependency
  - Trial and turbulence
  - Growth



## Supervision for students, interns and professionals

- An "Integrated Developmental Model" (Stoltenberg, et al 1998) shows:
  - Level One: Beginning Master's Level supervisees may be seen as dependent and needing structure.
    - The supervisor serves best as "teacher."
  - Level Two: Master's Level Interns, are seen as experiencing conflict between dependence and their own autonomy.
    - The supervisor serves best as "coach."



## Supervision for students, interns and professionals

• An "Integrated Developmental Model" (Stoltenberg, et al 1998) continued:

- Level Three: Post-Master's degree, doctoral level supervisees are described as more stable, desire mutual sharing, challenge and confrontations
- Level Four: Master counselors, supervision is typically "collegial"



Various models indicate core characteristics for effective supervision.

**Consistent**: Meet regularly with supervisee

**Strengths-based**: Supervisee should have a foundation of understanding, leave feeling stronger than when they came in.

**Encouraging**: Good listening skills, and the ability to validate the supervisee's experiences while encouraging growth.

**Accountable**: Model accountability for their own actions and hold supervisee accountable for theirs.



- Core characteristics of effective supervision, continued:
  - Provides constructive feedback: about job performance, strengths, areas for growth.
  - **Responsive**: Is there when supervisee has questions, concerns; especially in times of client/student crisis.
  - Strong ethics: Educates and models strong ethics.
  - Clear boundaries: The supervisor is not a "friend" and understands how to share personal information appropriately.
  - **Provides practical answers**: Has knowledge and experience to give meaningful directions or suggestions.



- Appropriate boundaries in counseling supervision are essential:
  - For ethical counselor development.
  - For effective therapeutic interventions and alliances.
- Supervision may be therapeutic, but supervision is not therapy.
  - MSU counselor trainees are encouraged to seek counseling as part of their developmental process.
  - Contact MSU faculty for counseling referrals.



### **Supervisor Ethics and Boundaries**

- It is important to monitor boundaries in the supervisor/supervisee relationship and supervisee/client relationship.
- Supervisors attend to appropriate boundaries and model them for supervisees.
- Supervisors address boundaries and supervision areas using <u>ACA</u> or <u>ASCA</u> Code of Ethics
- Supervisors have awareness that supervisees may need assistance establishing and maintaining boundaries.
- Supervisors and supervisees demonstrate compliance with the ACA or ASCA Codes of Ethics.



## **Mandated Reporting**

- Counselor trainees are mandated reporters of suspected abuse and/or neglect.
  - Suspicion, not proof, merits reporting.
  - Counselor trainees are not investigators and should not engage in questioning that could impede and investigation.
- Notifying a supervisor does not exempt a counselor trainee from reporting requirements.
- Notifying a supervisor is NOT required under the law.



### Supervision via Telehealth

 Both the ACA and ASCA have information about ethics and best practices related to telehealth and supervision using telehealth:

- https://www.counseling.org/knowledge-center/ethics#2014code
- https://www.schoolcounselor.org/About-School-Counseling/Ethical-Legal-Responsibilities/ASCA-Ethical-Standards-for-School-Counselors-(1)



### Telehealth and Distance Learning Information and Training

- Behind the Book: Distance Counseling and Supervision, A Guide for Mental Health Clinicians (compiled by Bethany Bray, January 2022)
- Adapting Evidence-Based Interventions for Telehealth (Nicole M. Arcuri Sanders, October 2021)
- <a href="https://videos.schoolcounselor.org/making-supervision-work">https://videos.schoolcounselor.org/making-supervision-work</a> (ASCA Webinar Series, Taqueena Quintana, Ed.D, Sonia Gooden-Alexis, Ed.D, December 2020)
- Paula A. Bernhard & Joshua S. Camins (2021) <u>Supervision from Afar: trainees'</u>
   <u>perspectives on telesupervision</u>, *Counselling Psychology Quarterly*, 34:3-4, 377-386, DOI: 10.1080/09515070.2020.1770697



### Practicum and Internship Documentation Information

- Students, faculty and supervisors have access to the *Practicum and Internship Handbook*. (Updated in 2022!)
- Information and most documents are in this handbook.
- May be downloaded or viewed in .pdf format here:
  - Practicum and Internship Handbook Link



### **Documentation of Services**

#### Direct Services include:

- Individual counseling
- Couples and family counseling
- Group counseling
- Whole class counseling
- Small Groups/SEL lessons
- Intakes and related
- Other services as approved by course instructor and involving direct contact with clients.

#### Indirect Services include:

- Treatment planning, case notes, records
- Lesson/small group planning
- Individual and group supervision
- Professional development
- Observations
- Team meetings, consultation, collaboration, etc.
- Other services as approved by course instructor



### When May Students Begin?

- •Counseling interns may begin earning **indirect hours** prior to the start of the MSU semester with university and site approval.
- •Document all "interim" hours the first Weekly Progress Report.
- Students working before or after the MSU semester complete the Interim Agreement form.
- Students who have completed their first internship may provide direct service during the interim period.



### Special areas of consideration

- Supervisors ensure counselor trainees are working within scope of training.
  - Contact student's instructor or Internship Coordinator if there are concerns or questions as soon as you notice them.
- Counselor trainees are not to:
  - transport clients
  - engage in any activities off-site without approval of course instructor
- If issues arise, supervisors should contact the course instructor immediately and follow up with the internship coordinator as needed.





- If an emergency arises that would:
  - Prevent the on-site supervisor from being at the site for an extended period of time,
  - Unable to meet with the counselor trainee for weekly supervision
  - Notify the course instructor or <u>internship coordinator</u> immediately. (<u>amelia302@missouristate.edu</u>)



### Site Supervisor Stipend

- To obtain your stipend for supervising an intern, download the Independent Contractor form:
- https://apps.missouristate.edu/financialservices/Forms/IndependentContractorForm.pdf
- •Complete form in black ink, mail to Marian Green, CLSE, MSU 901 S. National, Springfield, MO 65897
- •Questions about the stipend or form? Email Mrs. Green: MarianGreen@missouristate.edu or contact by phone: 417-836-5392
- •Employed at MSU within the past 12 months? Contact Mrs. Green regarding alternative methods of payment.



### **Proof of Training Completion:**

EMAIL TO: amelia302@missouristate.edu

- Receipt of the following documents is indication that you have completed this required training.
  - Resume
  - License/Certification
  - Liability Insurance





- Thank you for your willingness to provide supervision and share your expertise with counselor trainees!
- If you have additional questions or concerns, please email the Practicum and Internship Coordinator or call 417-836-4918.

