

## ADDENDUM INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION TO APPLICANTS FOR INTERNSHIP YEAR 2021-2022

DATE: 10/22/2020

Thank you for your interest in the Friends Hospital Clinical Psychology internship program for the cohort year 2021-2022. As stated in our handbook, Friends Hospital is an inpatient behavioral health services for a diverse population of individuals from the Philadelphia area. Interns will be stationed at one site during the training year. Upon applying to this internship, applicants must indicate if they are applying to the child/adolescent or adult track. Due to the nature of being in hospital settings, holiday and weekend rotations are an expectation of the internship. In addition, clinical services are conducted face to face. Telehealth sessions are not available.

Given the pandemic mitigation responses that Friends hospital has enacted, all interviews of applicants for the behavioral health internship program will be virtual. A virtual tour of the sites will be sent to all applicants that have been screened for interviews with faculty. After viewing the virtual tour, questions about the internship will be answered via telephone or by email.

Given the extenuating circumstances surrounding the pandemic and its impact of training experience, we are adjusting the clinical hours stated in the application and the handbook; we are relying on the opinion of your program's Director of Clinical Training that you are prepared to begin a clinical internship. However your application must state that you will have obtained your Master's degree and defended your dissertation proposal one week before the date in which ranking will begin for internship selection.

We have extended the application deadline to 11/30/2020; it is advised to submit your application as soon as possible so your application can be thoroughly reviewed by the faculty. The date for the virtual interviews will be emailed to the applicants. There will be a group and individual interviews with faculty that are supervisors from the adult and adolescent rotations. In addition, there will be a meeting with the interns from the present cohort.

All virtual meetings will be conducted via ZOOM. The applicant will receive a ZOOM link prior to the date of the scheduled interview.

If any questions please contact me.

Take care and be safe.

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