

# Application Procedure

## A. Eligibility

The internship is open to qualified students with a Master’s Degree who are enrolled in an APA-Accredited Clinical Psychology (preferred), Counseling Psychology, or School Psychology doctoral program, have completed their formal course work, have passed all comprehensive exams, and have successfully proposed their dissertation at the time of internship application. Evidence of supervised training and course work in empirically-supported principles of treatment, group and individual interventions, psychopathology and differential diagnosis, cultural diversity and individual differences, professional ethics, research and statistical methods, and psychological assessment techniques is required. A total of 1400 hours of experience is required, which includes a minimum of 450 intervention hours and 25 assessment hours in a supervised practicum. For those applying to the child/ adolescent track, there is an additional requirement that of the 1400 total hours, 250 of the intervention hours be conducted with the child or adolescent population. Highly qualified candidates generally have prior inpatient/partial/ or school experience, group therapy experience, a focus on empirically-supported interventions, a desire for continued assessment experience, and exposure to recovery-oriented treatment environments.

## B. Application Materials

Friends Hospital uses the AAPI online application, which can be accessed via the APPIC website at [www.appic.org](http://www.appic.org). In addition to the standard application materials and three letters of recommendation provided on the AAPI, applicants are asked to submit one de-identified psychological testing report. Applicants must also indicate in their application letter, which track (adult or child/adolescent) they are applying for, as well as which training sites they have a preference for their 1-year site assignment. The number of internship rotations at each site is as follows:

	<u>Adult (APPIC Match #153511)</u>	<u>Child/ Adolescent (APPIC Match # 153512)</u>
Friends Hospital-	3 adult	1 adolescent
Foundations	0 adult	1 child/ adolescent
Fairmount-	1 adult	1 child/ adolescent

## C. Interviews

Qualified applicants will be invited to interview at Friends Hospital for the adult track and at Foundations Behavioral Health for the adolescent track. Interviews – either remote or in person - will take place in December and January, and will consist of information sessions, a tour of the facility with descriptions of the other UHS rotations, group and individual interviews with faculty; those applicants who choose to interview by coming to campus will have an opportunity to have lunch with members of the current intern cohort.

## **D. Matching**

The Friends Hospital Internship in Clinical Psychology participates in the APPIC's Internship Match Program (see APPIC statement below). Friends Hospital has a Partial Affiliation with the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM).

All applicants must register with National Matching Services, Inc. for the Matching Program in order to be eligible to match to this internship program. Further information on NMS can be obtained from their website at: [www.natmatch.com/psychint](http://www.natmatch.com/psychint).

The computer match results will be released in February, at which time matched applicants will be emailed by the Director of Psychology or designated faculty member to confirm the appointment. A formal written confirmation letter will be sent to the matched intern, with a copy sent to the matched intern's university department chairperson.

### **1. APPIC Regulations and Policies**

The internship program at Friends Hospital abides fully with all APPIC match policies. The policy statement regarding the Matching Program can be viewed at the APPIC website at: [www.appic.org](http://www.appic.org). This internship site agrees to abide by the APPIC policy that no person at this training site will solicit, accept, or use any ranking-related information from any internship applicant.

## **E. Timeline**

Please see the APPIC Directory or the Welcome Letter and Instructions to Applicants (available on Friends Hospital's website) for the application due date and interview notification date.

## **F. Compensation**

Compensation for those applicants accepted into the program is an earned salary in the amount of \$28,568.00. Interns receive 21 paid time-off days, which includes conference or dissertation days, sick time, vacation time, and holidays (holiday and weekend coverage on a rotating basis is an expectation of the internship). Health insurance, including dental and vision, is available at minimal cost to interns if desired. Testing materials and textbooks/ training materials are also provided. Psychology Interns have designated space at each rotation in which they have access computers and printing, digital scoring and interpreting of test results when appropriate, and space to see patients for individual therapy. In addition, students can utilize IT support and clerical support services.