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## **APA Accredited Psychology Internship Program Neuropsychology Track**

The Neuropsychology Track at the JJP VAMC has opening for 2 interns. This track is designed for those interested primarily in neuropsychological training, devoting a minimum of 50 percent time to clinical, educational, and research activities related to neuropsychology, in accordance with the APA's Division 40 Houston Conference Guidelines. The Neuropsychology Track prepares interns for competitive Neuropsychology Postdoctoral Programs.

Neuropsychology Track interns are part of the Neuropsychology Consultation Service in the Mental Health Patient Care Center at the JJP VAMC. This service provides outpatient and inpatient neuropsychological evaluations for numerous services throughout the medical center, including Mental Health (e.g., PTSD Clinic, Supported Recovery Services, Mental Health Outpatient Clinic, Inpatient Psychiatry, Primary Care Mental Health Clinic), Neurology, Primary Care, Infectious Disease, Community Living Center, Spinal Cord Injury Unit, ALS Clinic and Inpatient Medicine Units. The most common reason for consult request is to provide differential diagnosis of disrupted cognitive and/or behavioral function secondary to neurologic disease/insult, substance abuse and/or psychiatric dysfunction. Assessment may also be requested to assist the patient, referring provider, treatment team and/or family members in discharge planning decisions, rehabilitation options and future vocational or educational planning.

As part of their major rotation in neuropsychological assessment, Neuropsychology Track interns receive extensive training in the assessment of a variety of neurologic disorders including dementias (e.g., Alzheimer's disease, vascular dementia, frontotemporal dementia), TBI, stroke, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis, ALS, metabolic disturbances, infectious diseases, psychiatric conditions (e.g., PTSD, depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, ADHD) and learning disabilities. The Neuropsychology Track also includes one 12-month sub-rotation in psychological evaluation at the JJP VAMC ALS clinic, as well as 2 6-month psychotherapy sub-rotations in the Mental Health Outpatient Clinic and Geropsychology. Neuropsychology Track interns also have the option of rotating through 2 of the following sub-rotations: Spinal Cord Injury Unit, Inpatient Psychiatry, Community Living Center (subacute rehabilitation and long-term care), and Primary Care Mental Health Clinic.

A comprehensive Neuropsychology didactic program is an integral part of the Neuropsychology Track. This program covers topics such as neuroanatomy, neuropathology, neuropsychological disorders, battery selection and administration of cognitive measures. Journal club, fact finding cases, and ethical issues in the practice of neuropsychology are also covered.

APPIC Application Deadline: November 1, 2022

For more information: [http://www.bronx.va.gov/careers/psychology\\_internship\\_program.asp](http://www.bronx.va.gov/careers/psychology_internship_program.asp)