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Clinical Neuropsychology Externship
Mount Sinai Downtown
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The Neuropsychology Service in the Department of Neurology, Division of Movement Disorders at Mount Sinai Downtown is offering 2 externship positions for the 2024-2025 academic year.

Homebased in neurology, this busy neuropsychological service supports referrals from multiple neurology subspecialties including movement disorders, memory disorders, and neurosurgery. The practice is particularly involved with the Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) neurosurgical program, which treats patients with symptoms related to movement disorders, Tourette's Syndrome, Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder, tardive, post-stroke sequelae, and mood disorders.

Externs carry a caseload of one full case per week, with the patient population ranging from 18+yo through 90 yo. Trainees will be involved with all aspects of their cases, from record review, test selection, clinical intake, data integration, and report writing. Externs also will have opportunities to observe follow-up visits for counseling of results, and they will be involved in collaborative discussion of cases with multi-disciplinary medical teams. The opportunity to observe a Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) surgery will be available, as well.

The patient population offers significant cultural, medical, demographic, and SES diversity. Opportunities to observe / work with interpreters and non-native English speaking patients can be made available. Exposure to electronic medical records, and extensive training in both telehealth assessment and in-office examinations are guaranteed.

Didactics include neuropsychology lectures, interdepartmental neuropsychology faculty lecture series, psychology grand rounds, neurology grand rounds, cognitive neurology case conferences, movement disorder rounds, and surgical case conferences. For interested students, there are research opportunities, with the goal of generating either an abstract or peer reviewed publication by the end of the training year.

The position requires a commitment of 2 full days per week, with Friday being one of the required days, although there is flexibility to the hours on Fridays. Supervision will be provided by Christina Palmese PhD, ABPP, a board certified neuropsychologist and Associate Professor in Neurology and Psychiatry within the Mount Sinai Hospital System. Support from a neuropsychology Fellow also will be available.

Applications should provide materials as directed by the general externship guidelines, and should include a letter of interest, CV (with email address of the DCT clearly stated), sample report, and 2 letters of recommendation. Any questions should be directed to Christina.Palmese@mountsinai.org