



NYU Langone Department of Neurology- **Brooklyn Campus** 60 8th Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11217

PEDIATRIC EXTERNSHIP IN CLINICAL NEUROPSYCHOLOGY

The NYU Langone Health Department of Neurology, Neuropsychology Division **Brooklyn campus** is recruiting clinical externs with an interest in **pediatric** neuropsychology for the **2023 - 2024** training year. The year-long externship runs from the **first week of July** to the **end of June** at NYU Langone's Slope Pediatrics in Park Slope, a charming neighborhood with many public transportation options. Supervision is provided by Gianna Locascio, PsyD, ABPP for a minimum of two hours per week.

Externs will learn to administer, score, and interpret neuropsychological test batteries for toddlers, children, adolescents, and young adults (age range approximately 2 - 22 years) with a wide range of neurological, medical, and genetic conditions. The vast majority are outpatient evaluations, but depending on availability and need, some opportunities for inpatient consultation at NYU Langone Hospital – Brooklyn may be available. Primary populations include epilepsy, acquired brain injuries, stroke, and congenital deafness as well as many other disorders that affect central nervous system functioning. Patients are from extremely diverse ethnic, cultural, linguistic, and socioeconomic backgrounds and more than 50% of patients are Medicaid recipients.

Trainees are required to commit at least 2 days per week (16 hours). Externs attend one day in-person (Tuesday or Thursday is required, 8:45am-5pm) for a full-day evaluation, live observation, scoring and supervision. The second day is remote (Monday, Wednesday, or Friday) for case preparation, report-writing, and an additional hour of supervision. A typical evaluation day includes supervised case preparation (9am-9:30am), parent/child interview (9:30am-10:30am), neuropsychological testing (10:30am-approximately 3:30pm), and scoring/documentation of behavioral observations. Test batteries are flexible and tailored to each patient based on a variety of factors, including age, neurological status, and presenting concerns. Externs initially observe all portions of the evaluation, and work towards increased autonomy. Telehealth opportunities are also available, including feedback sessions, which occur three weeks after the evaluation. Trainees are granted full remote access to our electronic medical record system, neuropsychology shared drive, NYU medical library, and email.

Externs will also attend case conferences and various didactic experiences through the Departments of Neurology and Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. Neuropsychology Division didactics occur on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-5pm; attendance is required at least once per week but both are recommended. These experiences will be offered via a virtual/in-person hybrid model indefinitely, and participation via either method is acceptable. Trainee schedules will be modified as necessary to accommodate attendance at didactics. Didactics are provided by many board-certified neuropsychologists and include training topics required for board certification preparation.

The Neuropsychology Externships are advanced placements and best-suited for trainees who plan to pursue board certification in clinical and/or pediatric neuropsychology through the American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP). Therefore, graduate coursework in neuropsychology, prior testing experience, and/or exposure to medical populations are strongly preferred but not required. Students should be at least in their 2nd year of graduate training during the application process. Applicants with strong clinical assessment experience from school psychology programs are welcome.

Applicants should submit through the NYNJADOT APA website a cover letter, CV, one de-identified neuropsychological report, list of psychological/neuropsychological tests administered, and two letters of recommendation. Be sure to note that you are applying for the **Brooklyn Pediatric Track**. Applicants may apply to multiple NYULH Department of Neurology tracks (Manhattan and/or Brooklyn campuses) simultaneously.

For general questions about the various tracks within the NYU Langone Department of Neurology Neuropsychology Training Program, contact Dr. Chris Morrison (chris.morrison@nyulangone.org). For questions about the pediatric track, please contact Dr. Locascio.

We will be hosting a virtual Externship Training Program Open House on Tuesday, 12/12/2023. Please check this site for the link and exact time. In the interim, this video includes an introduction to the 2021 faculty and training experiences <https://youtu.be/R2KGPzvMimoPle>. Please note that the video only describes the combined Manhattan/Brooklyn pediatric track (which is also available for 2024-2025). An updated video will be posted after 12/12/2023.

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** This is a distinct placement from the NYULH Dept. of Neurology Manhattan externship track.