

Division of Neuropsychology in the Department of Neurology at Montefiore

Predoctoral Externship

Intensive training in lifespan neuropsychological assessment in an outpatient setting

- Training in the administration, interpretation and communication of neuropsychological assessments in a diverse, hospital outpatient service.
- **Patient population** ranges in age from **children to the elderly** and is diverse in nature consistent with the Montefiore catchment area. Varied referral sources and referral questions are common and include developmental, neurological, psychiatric and medical diagnoses that present with neuropsychological impact. We are frequently asked to evaluate individuals with rare conditions or atypical presentations. Cases from the Center for the Aging Brain/ Memory Disorders Clinics, as well as the multiple sclerosis and epilepsy/epilepsy surgery services at Montefiore are common.
- Externs are trained to perform individually tailored neuropsychological evaluations with **focus on developing extern capacity to integrate findings over the course of the assessment process.**
- **Communication of results** via reports of various types and lengths is a skill that is developed. Extern clinical skills are further cultivated in the context of interview, assessment and **feedback.**
- Expected evaluation pace varies by individual experience, extern progress, and case complexity. Number of cases can range from one every two weeks to two per week.
- This site complies with the NYNJADOT Externship guidelines

We provide an experience with a high focus on the extern learning experience in the clinical setting

- **Didactics** include weekly Neurology Grand Rounds and Neuropsychology Grand Rounds which include case presentations and neuropsychology lecture series presented by clinic neuropsychologists, post-doctoral fellows, and guest lecturers
- Small group lecture is also provided intensively during the first months of externship
- Externs will be trained in traditional in-person assessment as well as televideo assessment
- Opportunity for **clinical research** is available. Externs commonly present atypical cases or research data at national conferences.

- Expected weekly time commitment is 16 hours, Tuesday and Thursday, beginning July 6, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022. Hospital holidays are provided when applicable.

Supervision

- **Individual and group** supervision provided weekly for at least 1 hour. Additional individual supervision is offered as needed.
- **Open door** individual supervision is available throughout the entire externship.
- Supervision and training is provided by neuropsychology fellows and **five department neuropsychologists, Ronda Facchini, Ph.D., David Masur, Ph.D. ABPP-cn, Erica Weiss, Ph.D., John McGinley, Ph.D., Diana Bronshteyn, Psy.D.**

To apply

- Please submit letter of interest, CV, letters of recommendation and redacted work sample via email to:
- Dr. Ronda Facchini, Director of Clinical Training and Externship Coordinator at rfacchin@montefiore.org. Phone: 718-944-1832
- Interviews will be conducted remotely