



## **NYU Langone Department of Rehabilitation- Brooklyn Campus**

150 55th Street, Brooklyn, NY

### **Adult Externship in Clinical Neuropsychology**

The NYU Langone Health Department of Rehabilitation Brooklyn campus is recruiting clinical externs with interest in inpatient assessment and intervention for the 2021-2022 training year.

Externs will receive broad-based training in the theory and practice of neuropsychology. Externs will learn to administer, score and interpret neuropsychological test batteries for adults admitted to acute inpatient rehabilitation for a wide range of neurological, medical and neurodegenerative conditions. Assessments are often brief and typically conducted bedside. Objective testing findings and clinical impressions are then used to guide discharge planning and inform brief evidence-based behavioral, psychological, cognitive rehabilitation and caregiver-based interventions. Primary populations include stroke, acquired brain injuries, movement and memory disorders. Patients are from extremely diverse ethnic, cultural, linguistic, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

The externship is embedded in an interprofessional context, where neuropsychology is part of an interdisciplinary team of professionals (psychiatry, neurology, speech and language pathology, occupational therapy, physical therapy and psychiatry) who all evaluate and work together to rehabilitate patients. As a result, externs also learn to provide same-day verbal feedback to team members during patient-care conferences and contribute to behavior plans to better manage delirium, inverted sleep/wake cycles, agitation, etc.

Unless work-from-home mandates due to the COVID-19 are put into place, trainees should expect that all clinical work will occur on site. Trainees are required to commit at least 2 days per week (16 hours). Tuesday is strongly preferred as clinical day (clinical intake, assessment & scoring; brief interventions); second day (case conceptualization/report-writing; case conference; supervision) can be Monday, Wednesday or Friday. Some opportunities for co-leading psychoeducational/relaxation groups are also available, if interested. Trainees are granted full remote access to our electronic medical record system, NYU medical library, and email. Supervision of neuropsychology trainees will be provided by Kristen Wesbecher, PhD.

Externs also attend didactic experiences through the Departments of Neurology and Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. These experiences will likely remain virtual. Neuropsychology Division didactics occur on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-5pm; attendance is required at least once per week. Assuming that didactic experiences may return to live/in-person format eventually, these primarily occur at the NYULH Manhattan campus. The trip between campuses on the free NYULH ferry takes approximately 45 minutes. Trainee schedules will be modified as necessary to accommodate attendance at didactics.

The year-long externship runs from the first week of July, 2021 to the end of June, 2022. The Neuropsychology Externships are advanced placements. 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 should submit a cover letter, CV, list of psychological/neuropsychological tests administered, and two letters of recommendation to the NYNJADOT practicum portal managed by APA. Be sure to note that you are applying for the **Inpatient Rehabilitation 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, please contact Dr. Chris Morrison ([chris.morrison@nyulangone.org](mailto:chris.morrison@nyulangone.org)). For questions about the rehabilitation track, please contact Dr. Kristen Wesbecher.

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This site complies with the PSYDNYS-NYNJADOT Externship Guidelines. Applications will be accepted 1/11/2021- 1/19/2021 and the offer process will begin on 3/8/2021. Offers sent from this site after 9am on 3/9/2021 must be responded to within 2 hours. If no response is received to an offer made after that date/time, that offer may no longer be available as it may have been extended to another applicant. \*\* This is a distinct placement from the NYULH Manhattan and Brooklyn neuropsychology externship tracks.

