

Eligibility Guidelines for PSC Clinical Associates – July 19, 2017

In order to provide a broader range of training opportunities for Clinical Psychology students, a number of psychologists in practice settings outside the PSC have been appointed as Clinical Associates to provide primary supervision to senior practicum students (7940-7956). These Clinical Associates are not members of the faculty of the Clinical Psychology program and do not receive remuneration from the PSC for their contributions. Status as a Clinical Associate is held independently of any other affiliations within the Psychology department (e.g., adjunct faculty appointment, committee member) or elsewhere on campus (e.g., Faculty of Medicine). Clinical Associates agree to follow the practicum requirements as set by the Clinical faculty (e.g., Practicum Contracts, Practicum Evaluation Forms) in accordance with CPA accreditation standards.

To be eligible for appointment as a Clinical Associate, a candidate must meet the following criteria:

- Holds an earned doctorate in a branch of Psychology relevant to the proposed area of practicum training
- Currently holds status as a registered, certified, chartered, or licensed Psychologist in a jurisdiction with regulatory standards comparable to those in Manitoba
- Has practiced as a regulated Psychologist for at least two years
- Meets at least one of the following supervisory experience requirements:
 - Has two or more years of experience providing supervision to psychology supervisees,
 - Has training in supervision (e.g., coursework, supervised experience), or
 - Has negotiated a co-supervisory or mentoring relationship with a supervisor who meets the training and/or experience requirements noted above

Subject to the foregoing, new Clinical Associates are appointed for a probationary term of two-years following a review of their request and credentials by Clinical faculty, with a reappointment term of five-years contingent on evidence of satisfactory evaluations by students and submission of a request to be renewed for continued Clinical Associate status. Initial applications consist of a request to be considered for Clinical Associate status, a practicum proposal, and current curriculum vitae. Reappointment applications consist of a request to be reappointed and an updated CV. The PSC Director, in collaboration with Clinical faculty, maintains sole discretion regarding appointment or reappointment of Clinical Associates.

Clinical Associate (Provisional)

For those candidates who meet all of the criteria for becoming a Clinical Associate, except having practiced as a psychologist for 2 years, there is the option of becoming a Clinical Associate (Provisional). A Clinical Associate (Provisional) cannot serve as a primary supervisor of a clinical practicum, but can serve as a secondary supervisor where the students' primary supervisor is a Clinical Associate of the Training Program. Both the Primary Supervisor (Clinical Associate) and the Secondary Supervisor (Clinical Associate- Provisional) would be involved in the clinical supervision of practicum student, plus the Primary Supervisor would serve as a mentor to the Secondary Supervisor for promoting the development of clinical supervision skills. Contracts involving Clinical Associates (Provisional) are considered on an individual basis. Normally the Primary and Secondary Supervisors work in the same service and at the same site.