

Student Placement Opportunity: Student Counsellor – OISE STUDENTS ONLY

Description	Requirements
<p>Name of Program or Service:</p> <p>Walk-in Counselling Service Connecting Families Parent and Education Program</p> <p>Goal of the position:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ To provide counselling support services to individuals, families, and couples who live in the City of Toronto, through our counselling services and Walk-In Counselling service. <p>Specific Duties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provide brief and longer term counselling, coaching, crisis intervention, and information and referral services ▪ Assist clients in identifying/clarifying issues, problem-solving, goal-setting, and developing positive coping strategies ▪ Work collaboratively with the clinical team for the Walk-In service and the Counselling Services Program ▪ To occasionally support the Connecting Families Parent and Education Program ▪ Problem solve with and provide support to colleagues in order to provide quality services ▪ Timely completion of all paperwork and case recordings required for the Walk-In service ▪ Communicate accurate information about the Walk-In service to the community ▪ Assist other Walk-In volunteers/students in their duties 	<p>Skills that student <u>must</u> possess:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Enrolled in a OISE’s M.Ed. clinical training program ▪ Excellent oral communication skills in English and good writing abilities ▪ Some experience working with individuals and potentially families/couples in a brief counselling capacity ▪ Ability to work with marginalized persons from a client-centred, empowering, and strengths-based approach ▪ Ability to maintain boundaries with clients and provide time-limited counselling services ▪ Demonstrated commitment to equity, inclusion and cultural competence
<p>Client Population:</p> <p>Individuals, families, and couples who live in the City of Toronto, some of whom are vulnerable people*.</p> <p>*Vulnerable people includes children; youth; senior citizens; people with physical, developmental, emotional, social or other disabilities; and will also include people who have been victims of crime or accident; those who are addicted or dependent on addictive substances; and those who are otherwise left with little or no defence against persons who would harm them.</p>	<p>Skills that would be an asset:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Some clinical knowledge and skills in at least one of the following: brief counselling, narrative therapy, solution-focused counselling/coaching, CBT, Mindfulness; Gestalt; other practice-based clinical interventions ▪ Some clinical experience in crisis intervention, safety planning, and suicide and risk assessments ▪ Good knowledge of community resources in the City of Toronto ▪ Fluency in another language in addition to English would be an asset.
<p>Student Responsibilities:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual Counselling</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Couple Counselling (optional)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Counselling (optional)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Group Counselling (optional)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Community Work</p>	<p>Does this placement require...</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal Record Check</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vulnerable Sector Search</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Driver’s License</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Use of own Car</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Evening Attendance</p>

<input type="checkbox"/> Home Visits <input type="checkbox"/> Research <input type="checkbox"/> Program Evaluation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administrative Work <input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy <input type="checkbox"/> Policy Work <input type="checkbox"/> Media/Marketing/PR <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify:	If yes, when? Wednesday evenings
Location of Placement: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 128 Sterling Rd. <input type="checkbox"/> 747 Warden Ave. <input type="checkbox"/> 700 Lawrence W. <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify:	Ideal start date, days and hours of placement: Fall 2016 – days and hours to be determined with student
Field Instructor's Name: Gillian Frise	Additional Comments: Benefits to the student include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Opportunity to gain clinical experience, skills and knowledge in counselling through collaboration with a clinical team. ▪ Opportunity to develop knowledge of community resources and clinical resource materials ▪ Clinical experience with diverse clients and issues ▪ References may be provided upon successful completion of the student commitment Level of Risk: High (opportunity to be alone with or exert influence over vulnerable people)
Field Instructor's Academic and Experience Credentials: Gillian Frise has a Master of Education in Counselling Psychology, experience supervising students, and years of experience in individual and family counselling.	
Field Instructor's Supervisory Style and Areas of Expertise/Interest Ongoing support, problem-solving and debriefing with supervisor and other clinical staff will be provided for the student.	