

Victim Services Durham Region

Competition

September 2021 – April 2022

In-Person Practicum/Possibility of Remote

Victim Services of Durham Region (VSDR) provides crisis response, intervention and prevention services immediately following a crime or sudden tragedy. Our services are free and confidential. On-site or over the phone, our flexible Crisis Intervention Counsellors, and Volunteer Responders, are well trained to handle crises. VSDR is a registered charity founded in 1997. We are on call 24/7 to respond to police requests for victim assistance.

Practicum Requirement:

- Vulnerable Sector Police Check (COMPLETED BY DRPS, NOT THE STUDENT)
- In-person students must have a driver's license and access to a reliable vehicle for placement and be comfortable meeting client's in a community-based setting

In-person Placement Overview:

- The student will engage in case management and crisis intervention support for victims/survivors of all types of crime and sudden tragedy. They will participate in reaching out to clients through telephone support to make initial contact. They will provide service navigation to help clients access resources they need. Student will help clients to access emergency funding sources. The student will first shadow supervisor and then will have their own caseload of clients.
- Application documents required: resume and cover letter

Remote Placement Overview:

- The student will assist with grant writing, literature reviews, program evaluation and development, community outreach, etc. This placement opportunity will be entirely from home and involve no direct client contact.
- Application documents required: resume, cover letter, copy of research paper

If you are interested in this practicum opportunity, please:

1. Apply to salma.saadi@utoronto.ca.

OR

2. Apply to Riley Spigarelli, Student and Volunteer Coordinator, at rspigarelli@drps.ca.

Applications for September 2021 placements are due by July 1st, 2021.

For more information, please check out the agency's website:

<http://victimservicestoronto.com/> to learn more about the service areas.

Students in the Children and Families, Mental Health and Health or Social Justice and Diversity streams can apply.

Students registered with University of Toronto Accessibility Services may receive appropriate accommodations for practicum settings. To register: <http://www.studentlife.utoronto.ca/as>
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