

Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) Hamilton

Location: 131 John St. S., Hamilton, ON L8N 2C3

Year 1 Practicum

Dates: January 10- May 31, 2024

Please provide a description of the practicum site and student activities:

CMHA Hamilton provides a wide array of services to adults living with mental illness. As the coordinator of Community Enrichment Services, I act as the team lead for the program which provides intensive case management. Students would have a small caseload of individuals and work collaboratively towards their mental health recovery. Students will engage in direct clinical practice, integrate theory and practice, assessment, planning and will have the opportunity to work in program development. Students will also be able to connect with other programs such as court support, supportive housing, peer support and health promotion to understand the wide range of services we offer. By the end of the placement students should have the foundation for advanced generalist practice.

Practicum Requirements:

- Police Reference/Vulnerable Sector Check
- Driver's License
- Use of Own Car
- Travel by public transportation between home visits, or satellite offices, or community meetings, etc.
- Comfort working with the population being served
- Report writing and documentation
- Car is not required, but may be helpful
- I am a member of the LGBTQ+ community and in the past have reserved my placement for members of this equity seeking group

Does your practicum require any previous experience? If yes, please specify.

A general knowledge of mental health and addictions would be an asset.

Please indicate whether this practicum will be in-person, remote or hybrid.

In-person, opportunity for hybrid if needed.

Please indicate whether this practicum will involve direct work or a mix of direct and indirect.

Mix of direct and indirect practice.

Number of practicums offered?

One

Field Instructor(s) name and credentials (BSW and/or MSW)

James Curtis-Welsh BA, BSW (McMaster), MSW (York University), RSW

When would you like to receive student applications?

As soon as possible

Do you require a resume? Or resume and cover letter?

Resume

Accessibility Considerations:

- Will the student have access to a private space for notes or computer use? No
Student will have a cubicle in an open area. Can reserve a room if needed.
- Are there breaks between clients/patients/meetings? Yes
- Is the practicum considered fast-paced? Medium
- Is there a high noise level in the practicum? Medium
Radio is playing in the student cubicle area, can arrange for quiet environment if needed.
- Is the site wheelchair accessible? Yes
Accessible entrance at the back of the building, full service elevator in back, manual lift at the front door.
- What are the physical demands of the practicum?
Sitting for extended periods of time.
- Are there any other accessibility considerations that potential applicants with disabilities should be aware of?
Students will need to be able to use a computer with no issues or concerns as charting and many meetings are conducted via technology.

Students registered with University of Toronto Accessibility Services may receive appropriate accommodations for practicum settings. To register: <https://studentlife.utoronto.ca/departments/accessibility-services/> or call 416-978-8060

If you are interested in this practicum, please send a resume to miri.ben.dat@utoronto.ca by 4 pm on September 28, 2023. Applications will be forwarded on to the site.