



**Family Services of York Region
Year 2 Practicum
September 2024- April 2025**

Family Services York Region (FSYR) is both a learning and a teaching organization. Working in collaboration with universities across North America, FSYR offers student and volunteer placements for master's level clinicians. Because of our varied and rich programming, volunteers and students can experience a broad range of services and programs in addition to developing their skills in individual, couple and family therapy. Services provided to our student volunteers include:

- Initial 4-day training prior to beginning at your site
- Regular Small Group Student Supervision (minimum four hours monthly, or more to meet the requirements of the learning institution)
- Group Supervision / Peer Consultation (2 hours monthly)
- One on one supervision regarding learning contracts and evaluations
- Professional Development Opportunities
- Opportunity to co-facilitate a group

We provide a unique learning experience that gives students an opportunity to work with an extremely diverse client base, with a range of presenting concerns including symptoms of anxiety and depression, trauma and abuse, family conflict, job/financial stress, gender identity/sexual orientation, grief/loss, mental health diagnosis, parenting, settlement, etc.

Family Services York Region requires that all students be available 2 evenings a week.

We have 3 office locations: Newmarket, Georgina and Richmond Hill. Currently we are operating in a Hybrid model, therefore students will be required to work in office one day per week. Students are placed primarily according to the location of their supervisor and available office space. All students will be required to abide by agency policies and procedures. Some travel between offices will be required.

Practicum Requirements:

- Vulnerable Sector Check
- Evening attendance- **two evenings until 8 pm required.**
- Driver's license and access to a car

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

Not required, but preferred.

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

Hybrid

This practicum is suited for students in the below fields of study:

- Children and Their Families
- Mental Health and Health

The practicum will involve both direct and indirect service. Indirect service would include Professional Development, agency meetings, paperwork, case management, various individual and group supervision meetings, etc.

Accessibility Considerations:

- Will the student have access to a private space for notes or computer use? YES
- Are there breaks between clients/patients/meetings? YES
- Is the practicum considered fast-paced? No (there are many opportunities for training, client contact, so schedule is typically full on a day to day basis, but it would not be considered fast paced)
- Is there a high noise level in the practicum? No
- Is the site wheelchair accessible? Yes
- What are the physical demands of the practicum? Sitting for extended periods of time, being on screen for extended periods throughout the day (virtual sessions)
- Are there any other accessibility considerations that potential applicants with disabilities should be aware of? n/a

Students registered with University of Toronto Accessibility Services may receive appropriate accommodations for practicum settings. To register:

<https://studentlife.utoronto.ca/department/accessibility-services/> or call 416-978-8060

If you are interested in this practicum, send your cover letter and resume to miri.ben.dat@utoronto.ca by 5 pm on March 15, 2024. Applications will be forwarded on to the site. Please also fill out the placement application found at the following link:

<https://www.fsyrr.ca/get-involved/clinical-placements/> Only those selected for interviews will be contacted. Students may be asked to provide references at the interview.