



FACTOR-INWENTASH
FACULTY OF SOCIAL WORK

York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families

Location: 402 Bloomington Road, Aurora and/or 11225 Leslie St. Richmond Hills

Year 2 Practicum

Dates: September 2024-April 2025

Preference for candidates who are members of Indigenous, Black, racialized, 2SLGBTQ+ communities, persons with disabilities, and/or from other equity deserving groups. All students welcome.

Practicum Description:

Placement opportunities will be provided to the student through a combination of virtual and in person responsibilities. The student will be primarily located in our front door services and brief therapy programs. Depending on the student's length of placement and their direct supervisor, student may also become involved in our longer-term counselling programs, including Goal Focused Counselling and Day Treatment Services.

Our front door services support clients in the orientation to our agency and a collaborative treatment plan to access appropriate services not only within the agency but also with community partners, if needed. Our Brief Therapy program provides 3-6 sessions of counselling for families. Additional opportunities may include; supporting waitlist management (monthly support phone calls with families who are waiting for longer term programs), "Here to Help" support line/walk in clinic, and participation in our single session Booster Clinic for previous clients of York Hills.

Other opportunities may be available to the student through observation and orientation to our groups and webinars, and a variety of other clinical programs at York Hills. These will be presented as they fit with the students learning goals and the needs of the agency.

As a member of the York Hills team, the student will be provided with the necessary training to complete assessment and data management responsibilities. This may include training ChYMH, EMHware, and/or Greenspace when required.

Practicum Requirements:

- Vulnerable Sector Check
- Evening work required 1x per week for 3day week placements, 2x per week for 4-5 day placements
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- Drivers License required
- Access to a car required

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

- Evolving knowledge of and ability to use evidenced based treatment modalities as endorsed by York Hills.
- Evolving knowledge of community and organization programs including transitional age youth and adult services.
- Demonstrated sound judgement related to the development of collaborative approaches including high risk circumstances and safety planning.
- Ability to work through a lens of sensitivity to diversity related to race, religion, culture, cognitive functioning, poverty, sexual orientation and gender identity.
- Knowledge of anti-oppressive practices and the ability to integrate these practices into all aspects of the placement.
- Evolving interpersonal skills and the ability to work in a multi-disciplinary environment.
- Evolving professional judgement in conflictual and stressful situations.
- Evolving experience utilizing suicide risk assessment and intervention skills.
- Above average written and verbal communication skills.
- Proven time management skills.

This practicum will be a mix of remote and in-person.

Hybrid model (remote and in person)

This practicum will involve both direct work and indirect work.

Accessibility Considerations:

- Will the student have access to a private space for notes or computer use? No

Common drop-down areas/desk cubbies for use.

- Are there breaks between clients/patients/meetings? Sometimes
- Is the practicum considered fast-paced? Medium
- Is there a high noise level in the practicum? Medium
- Is the site wheelchair accessible? Yes
- What are the physical demands of the practicum? Some long periods of sitting during meetings and/or note taking/report writing
- Are there any other accessibility considerations that potential applicants with disabilities should be aware of? None identified at this time.

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 cover letter and resume to miri.ben.dat@utoronto.ca by 4 pm on February 22, 2024. Applications will be forwarded on to the site.