

Juravinski Hospital, F4 Surgery and Surgical Oncology**711 Concession St, Hamilton ON L8V 1C3**

Year 2 Practicum

September 2024- April 2025

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

F4 is an active inpatient facility providing integrated clinical, research and education services for adults with surgical needs and/or digestive disease disorders. The unit is comprised of diverse services including surgical, medical and palliative care. The goals of services to our patients are cure, control or palliation. Patients are often admitted for management of complex issues such as surgical emergencies and symptom control.

As a member of the interdisciplinary team, the unit social worker provides services to adult inpatients with digestive, gynecological, urological and other oncological diagnoses (the majority of whom undergo surgery). Students will have the opportunity to shadow and practice skills including psychosocial assessment and treatment, crisis intervention, advocacy, family engagement, supportive counselling, discharge planning, palliative care, patient/ family/ staff education, and linking with community resources.

Practicum Requirements:

- Immunizations per PHA Guidelines
- N95 Respirator/Mask Fitting
- Covid Vaccinations
- Comfort working with the population being served
- Comprehensive report writing and documentation

Fields(s) of Study for this Practicum:

- Mental Health and Health
- Social Work and Gerontology

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

Previous experience is not necessary, however students may benefit from having experience with end of life/ palliative care, housing/ homelessness, oncology, and/ or crisis intervention.

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

In-person.

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

Primarily direct work. Some potential for limited indirect work if student interest is indicated.

Number of practicums offered? 1

Field Instructor(s') name and credentials: Alexandria Smith BSW MSW RSW

Do you require a resume? Or resume and cover letter? Students are asked to send completed Hamilton Health Sciences Application for Experiential Education Placement (found [here](#)) along with their resume.

Accessibility Considerations:

- Will the student have access to a private space for notes or computer use? Yes
- Are there breaks between clients/patients/meetings? Sometimes
- Is the practicum considered fast-paced? Medium to fast paced, depending on the day/ referrals received
- Is there a high noise level in the practicum? Medium
- Is the site wheelchair accessible? Yes
- What are the physical demands of the practicum? Sitting and standing for prolonged periods of time, frequent use of computer. At times, having to move between different units of the hospital for meetings, donations, etc, though this is fairly infrequent.
- Are there any other accessibility considerations that potential applicants with disabilities should be aware of? None currently identified. Please feel free to reach out with specific questions related to accessibility or accommodation requests.

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 and the [Hamilton Health Sciences Application for Experiential Education Placement](#) to miri.ben.dat@utoronto.ca by Wednesday 4 pm on March 12, 2024. Applications will be forwarded on to the site.