

Toronto Metropolitan University, Office of Sexual Violence Support and Education**Location**

Year 2 Practicum

September 2024 – April 2025

Practicum Description

Consent Comes First: The Office of Sexual Violence Support and Education works with Toronto Metropolitan University students affected by sexual violence. We also provide education, training and advocacy with the wider campus community. Our services are available to all TMU students regardless of when and where the violence occurred.

We believe that people affected by sexual and gender-based violence should guide the process, and we are here to provide options in a trauma-informed way. We recognize that people are impacted differently based on varied and interlocking oppressions. How people experience, heal from, and address sexual violence is shaped by the multitude of social locations, e.g. class, sexuality, citizenship status and gender expression.

Consent Comes First, the Office of Sexual Violence Support and Education is part of Toronto Metropolitan University. At the intersection of mind and action, TMU is on a transformative path to becoming Canada's leading comprehensive innovation university. Integral to this path is the placement of equity, diversity and inclusion as fundamental to our institutional culture.

Description of Role and Responsibilities

The successful candidate will work alongside an interdisciplinary team to provide compassionate, trauma and violence-informed, intersectional support to TMU students affected by sexual violence and gender-based violence.

- Manage a small caseload of clients (intake, case management, counselling) with people affected by sexual violence and gender-based violence i.e. survivors, their families, loved ones, friends, parents;
- Conduct case management related to safety and justice and assessing personal, legal and social needs;
- Maintain up to date client records and reports;
- Opportunities to create and run support groups and workshops related to trauma, sexual and gender-based violence for specific populations;
- Opportunities to create accessible resources, materials related to trauma, sexual and gender-based violence;
- Gain project coordination skills in the implementation and coordination of sexual violence education activities;
- Learn and incorporate into work knowledge of current laws, legislation, research and best practices in the area of sexual violence, gender-based violence, education, sexual health and bystander intervention;
- Opportunities to participate in research projects on sexual violence and gender-based violence;
- Participate in daily team case conference meetings and planning;
- Participate in professional development opportunities;

- Build effective relationships and work collaboratively with students, faculty, staff, administrators, and community partners.

Hours: 9 - 5, with an occasional prearranged early evening event or workshop.

This practicum is suited for students in Social Justice and Diversity and Mental Health and Health fields of study.

Practicum Requirements

- Police Reference/Vulnerable Sector Check
- Comfort working with the population being served
- Availability for occasional evening programming
- Previous experience in gender-based violence, sexual violence or trauma informed work an asset
- Experience practically applying intersectional, anti-oppressive framework
- Grounded understanding of confronting racism including Anti-Black Racism and Anti-Indigenous Racism
- Comfortable working in a fast-paced environment
- Comfortable working in a team and independently

Does your practicum require any previous experience? If yes, please specify. Experience working with and providing support to a broad range of equity-deserving groups impacted by sexual violence and gender-based violence is an asset

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

Please indicate whether this practicum will involve direct work or a mix of direct and indirect. Mostly direct work some indirect projects (promotions, psychoeducation campaigns)

Number of practicums offered: 1

Field Instructor(s') name and credentials: Jori Jones MSW, Tiffany Wong, MSW, Rena Kim MSW

When would you like to receive student applications?: flexible

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

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? **at times**
- Is there a high noise level in the practicum? **no**
- Is the site wheelchair accessible? **yes**
- What are the physical demands of the practicum? moving around some equipment for tabling and group facilitation.
- 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/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 March 14th, 2024. Applications will be forwarded on to the site.