

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health
Forensic Brief Assessment Unit
1000 Queen St W, Toronto, ON M6J 1H4
Year 2 Practicum
September 2024-April 2025

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

Position title: Social Work Student in the Forensic Brief Assessment Unit

As a student, you will be a member of an inter-professional team conducting assessments of individuals involved in the criminal justice system. These assessments will be related to criminal responsibility, risk assessment and the risk management needs for individuals by the courts or the Ontario Review Board. In conjunction with your supervisor, you will conduct psychosocial assessments, including interviewing family members, other agencies, and medical file review. You will be required to contribute to the overall provision of social work services within the program as needed.

Please note, this is NOT a therapeutic position. We will not be conducting psychotherapy with the population served. This position is an assessment placement, not a treatment placement.

Practicum Requirements. Click on all the boxes that apply.

Please add any additional requirements, if not listed.

- ☒ Immunizations per PHA Guidelines
- ☒ N95 Respirator/Mask Fitting
- ☐ Covid Vaccinations
- ☐ Influenza Vaccination (Flu shot)
- ☐ 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
- ☒ Comprehensive report writing and documentation
- ☐ Lived experience/Current member of the community being served
- ☐ Evening attendance
- ☐ Weekend attendance

- ☐ Changing shift attendance
- ☐ Language (specify in field below)

Other requirements:

Fields(s) of this Practicum: (click on all boxes that apply)

- ☐ Children and their Families
- ☒ Social Justice and Diversity
- ☒ Mental Health and Health
- ☐ Social Work in Gerontology
- ☐ Human Services Management & Leadership

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

- Experience working within the mental health population
- Previous experience either internship/or employment
- Ability to write fulsome reports, including writing and communication skills
- Ability to work independently, and self-directed

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

The practicum will be held in-person, at the Queen Site location of CAMH. There may be some opportunity to work remotely.

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

The practicum is primarily direct involvement with both patients and interdisciplinary team members. The population served, are those with major mental illness and criminal involvement. Due to the nature of the position, an extensive portion of time is dedicated to report writing.

Number of practicums offered?

There is one placement available, with two supervisors.

Field Instructor(s') name and credentials:

Alysia Morrow MSW., RSW & Monica Beron MSW., RSW

When would you like to receive student applications?

Preferably by Mid-April; however, willing to extend.

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

Resume and/or CV

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? Medium
- Is there a high noise level in the practicum? Low
- Is the site wheelchair accessible? Yes
- What are the physical demands of the practicum?

None, other than ability to sit in an assessment for extended period of time.

- Are there any other accessibility considerations that potential applicants with disabilities should be aware of?

No.

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, please send a cover letter and resume to miri.ben.dat@utoronto.ca by March 20, 2024 . Applications will be forwarded on to the site.