



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 are able to 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 practicum
- 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.

We have 3 office locations: Newmarket, Georgina and Richmond Hill. Currently our services are hybrid as students are required to attend in person 1 day of the week while the remaining days students are expected to practice remotely from a private and confidential space with access to internet and a cell phone. Students are placed primarily according to the location of their supervisor and available office space. 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.

At this time, all services are being delivered through a Hybrid model, which includes in office 1 day per week, and remaining days are to be virtual. Additionally, there will be some trainings and staff events offered in person.

Please indicate whether this practicum will involve direct work, indirect work or both.

Students will be doing direct client work

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

- Children and Their Families
- Mental Health and Health

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? Longer periods of time in front of a screen, sitting for longer periods of time.

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 5pm on April 2, 2024. Applications will be forwarded on to the site. Please also fill out the placement application found at the following link: https://www.fsyr.ca/get-involved/clinical-placements/. Only those selected for interviews will be contacted. Students may be asked to provide references at the interview.