# FORDHAM UNIVERSITY

# CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY DOCTORAL PROGRAM (CPDP) STUDENT HANDBOOK

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#### **MISSION AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

In 2005, the CPDP adopted the following mission statement:

The Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program prepares students to contribute to the science and profession of psychology as researchers, practitioners and teachers in their chosen areas of clinical psychology. Employing the Boulder Scientist-Practitioner training model, our goal is to help students learn how to critically and dynamically integrate scientific research with real world practice in clinical work. We seek to educate generalists while providing students with opportunities to develop specializations in particular areas and approaches in clinical psychology. In order to prepare students to successfully enter a broad spectrum of professional careers, the faculty teaches sophisticated knowledge of the field's theoretical pluralism, adept research competencies, and a comprehensive array of skills in diagnostic assessment, psychotherapeutic intervention, and consultation. The faculty is dedicated to facilitating the formation of unique professional identities among students that combine their special interests and talents with high ethical standards and respect for the diversity of personalities, religions, and the social lives of those in need of mental health services.

Fordham University provides high quality training in both the clinical and research aspects of psychology. Domain E of the revised <u>Guidelines and Principles for Accreditation of Programs in Professional Psychology</u> (APA, 2010) concerning Student-Faculty Relations requires that students receive a written statement covering: a) program and institution policies and procedures, b) degree requirements, c) policies and procedures regarding student evaluation and continuance in the program including procedures for termination of impaired or incompetent students. This publication provides relevant information on these topics or directs the student to where such information can be found. All students are expected to read and become familiar with the following publications:

- 1. The Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Policies and Procedures Guidebook (<u>https://www.fordham.edu/downloads/file/3247/gsas\_policies\_and\_procedures\_guidebook)</u>
- 2. The Fordham University Student Handbook (<u>https://www.fordham.edu/info/21683/student\_handbook</u>)
- 3. Relevant documents governing completion of the master's thesis and dissertation that are disseminated by the Psychology Department (available on the department's shared google drive).
- 4. American Psychological Association. (2010). Ethical principles of psychologists and code of conduct, with the 2010 amendments. <u>Retrieved from http://www.apa.org/ethics/code/principles.pdf</u>

# ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program offers all students four years of academic year funding that is governed by GSAS policies and procedures for funding and tuition scholarships. Through GSAS, the program offers multiple forms of funding including graduate assistantships, fellowships, and tuition scholarships, as well as merit-based funding opportunities. The GSAS Dean determines which students receive funding upon recommendation of the CPDP and Psychology Department for graduate assistantships. Student funding is renewed annually. In order to receive GSAS funding or tuition scholarships the following criteria must be met each academic year.

- 1. Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.5
- 2. Meet the requirements of both satisfactory academic performance and satisfactory academic progress (see relevant sections in this handbook as well as GSAS policies and procedures)
- 3. Be certified as "full time" by registering for the full time equivalence in credits or by filing a *Matriculated Students Status Certification* form
- 4. Hold no additional Fordham assignments during the academic year without the written permission of the GSAS Dean.

Detailed information about graduate assistantships, teaching fellowships, teaching associates, and the range of merit-based distinguished fellowships can be found in the GSAS Policies and Procedures Guidebook as well as the GSAS website.

**Summer Funding.** It is important to note that graduate assistantships provide a stipend for the academic year, and **do not include funding over the summer (June- August)**. There are several opportunities to obtain summer funding through the University including competitive GSAS Summer Research Fellowships (applications typically due in February), GSAS Special Summer Projects (often do not know if these will be offered until May), and teaching positions (which have been very limited in recent years). *These opportunities are open to <u>all</u> Psychology Graduate students and typically, each only funds 1- 2 Psychology graduate students per year.* Students may also be funded to conduct, or assist with, research if their mentor has a research grant and should check in with their mentor about any available opportunities. We are always seeking new opportunities for summer funding for our students within the University but students are also free to pursue their own summer employment. For example, some students have found paid positions at local private practices or externship sites, or have applied to outside organizations for funding (i.e., Psi Chi, APF, APS).

# DEGREE REQUIREMENTS/REQUIRED COURSE OF STUDY

The Clinical Psychology Program currently requires 85 semester hours for the Ph.D. degree with a minimum of 3 years in residence. Students are expected to take four 3-credit courses per semester in Years 1-2, three 3-credit courses per semester in Year 3 (may take up to 12 credits, but need to take 9 credits for FT status in 3<sup>rd</sup> year), and a minimum of one 1 - credit course per semester in year 4. Additional credits are associated with completion of the MA thesis (3 credits), doctoral dissertation (6 credits) and an APA-accredited Internship (2 credits). Additional course work completed over the summer or transferred from a prior institution may reduce the number of courses per semester.

The following table constitutes your graduation checklist.

# COURSE OVERVIEW

An overview grid of when courses are routinely offered is included at the end of this section.

# **Clinical Training**

(49 credit hours)

# Clinical Topics Seminar (No credit hours)

PSYC 8023 Clinical Topics Seminar (6 semesters)	Year 1,2,3	0 Credits
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#### Psychological Assessment (9 credit hours)

PSYC 6106	Cognitive Assessment with Lab	Year 1	3 Credits
PSYC 6119	Personality Assessment I with Lab	Year 1	3 Credits
See listings	Elective Assessment course	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits

# Diagnostic and Intervention Training (12 credit hours)

PSYC 6210	Psychotherapy Theories	Year 1	3 Credits
PSYC 7111	Psychopathology	Year 1	3 Credits

PSYC 7121	Clinical Diagnosis	Year 1	3 Credits
See listings	Elective Intervention course	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits

# Diversity Training (3 credit hours)

PSYC 6170	Multicultural Seminar	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
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# Professional Ethics and Standards (3 credit hours)

PSYC 6005	Ethics in Psychology	Year 2	3 Credits
PSYC 8015	Identification of Child Abuse	Year 1	0 Credits

# Teaching Skill Development (3 credit hours)

PSYC 7990	Teaching of Psychology	Year 3	3 Credits
	Teacher Training Seminars	Years 1 - 3	0 Credits

# **Clinical Electives (Including at least one Intervention and one Assessment elective)** (9 credits) (1 *Course – Assessment, 1 Course – Interventions, 1 Course - Extra elective*)

Intervention Electives			
PSYC 6050	Behavioral Medicine	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6250	Dialectical Behavior Therapy	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 86280	Evidence-based Psychoanalytic Therapy	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6380	Anxiety Disorders	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6245	Cognitive Behavior Therapy	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6250	Dialectical Behavior Therapy	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6385	Depression and Suicide	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6390	Global Mental Health	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 7250	Treatment of Substance Abuse	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 8271	Child Psychotherapy	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
Assessment Electives			
PSYC 6251	Foundations of Neuropsychology	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6253	Neuropsychological Assessment with Lab	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6257	Child Neuropsychology with Lab	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits

PSYC 6137/3819	Personality Assessment II with Lab	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits	
PSYC 6184	Behavioral Assessment with Lab	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits	
PSYC 6190	Forensic Assessment	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits	
	Other			
PSYC 7010	Psychology and Criminal Law	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits	
PSYC 6020	Health Psychology	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits	
PSYC 6030	Trauma and Family Violence	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits	
PSYC 6530	Developmental Psychopathology	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits	
PSYC 6670	Psychopharmacology	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits	

# Externship Training (14 credit hours)

	Year 1		
PSYC 8212	Clinical Externship III (shadowing 3 <sup>rd</sup> years receiving supervision; no course registration required)	0 Credits	
PSYC 8213	Clinical Externship IV (shadowing 3 <sup>rd</sup> years receiving supervision; no course registration required)	0 Credits	
	Year 2		
PSYC 8202	Clinical Externship I	3 Credits	
PSYC 8203	Clinical Externship II	3 Credits	
	Clinical Supervision (receiving peer supervision from 4 <sup>th</sup> years; no course registration required)		
	Year 3		
PSYC 8212	Clinical Externship III	3 Credits	
PSYC 8213	Clinical Externship IV	3 Credits	
Year 4			
PSYC 8221	Clinical Externship V *	1 Credit	
PSYC 8223	Clinical Externship VI *	1 Credit	

\**Important Note.* Fourth-year students are required to complete Externship V and VI (Supervision & Consultation Seminar), which has three components summarized below. The course is scheduled within a 3-hour time slot in order to facilitate completion of all three aspects of the course at one time, typically Wednesday mornings. Specifically, the three components of this course are:

1) A year-long, weekly 1-hour didactic component on supervision and consultation (provided by two faculty members, one in the fall semester and the other in the spring semester).

2) A year-long, weekly 1-hour group supervision meeting where students discuss their experiences

supervising a 2<sup>nd</sup> year student and a faculty member provides supervision.

3) A year-long, weekly 1-hour practicum component for this course, in which students will provide clinical supervision to a second-year student.

i. Both fourth-year and second-year students are required to participate in this 1-hour 1:1 supervision component within the assigned time slot slated for this course (essentially, this is the laboratory component of the course). Please note that in some years, the number of fourth- and second-year students are not the same so it will not be possible to have 1:1 supervision. In such cases, the instructors will discuss how this will be handled for that year and will notify students as the course commences.

# APA-Accredited Internship Training (2 credit hours)

PSYC 8080	Clinical Internship – Fall Semester	Year 5 or 6	1 Credit
PSYC 8080	Clinical Internship – Spring Semester	Year 5 or 6	1 Credit

# **OPTIONAL MAJOR AREAS OF STUDY**

The CPDP is a single program that prepares students for/make eligible to take the New York State Licensing Examination in Psychology. Consistent with APA's "Education and Training Guidelines: A Taxonomy for Education and Training in Professional Psychology Health Service Specialties" (approved as APA Policy in February 2012; Rozensky, Grus, Nutt, Carlson, Eisman, & Nelson, 2015, p.30), students can opt to pursue one of four Major Areas of Study (MAS) through elective courses, selecting/completing at least 2 years of appropriate externships, and by conducting either their MA or doctoral research in that area. The following MAS are available: *Child & Adolescent, Forensic Psychology, Health Psychology, and Neuropsychology*. The related courses in these areas count as elective credits.

In making decisions about MAS coursework, clinical experiences, and research, it is imperative that students proactively work with their primary mentor (or their MAS director) to make these decisions at the outset and throughout the training process to assure that their training goals are best met. Your DCT is also always a resource to you in this regard as well. Finally, students wishing to complete an optional MAS must complete the new MAS Form (located in Google Docs' Forms folder) with their mentor and submit this form to the CPDP Program Secretary (Nicolemarie McCarroll) upon completion of their MAS requirements in order for the Program to record and recognize a student's successful completion of an optional specialization.

PSYC 6780	Psychological Disorders in Children & Adolescents*	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 8271	Child Psychotherapy*	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 7030	Psychology and Juvenile Justice	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6030	Trauma and Family Violence	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6184	Behavioral Assessment with Lab	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits

#### CHILD AND ADOLESCENT (\*Required courses; 3 total courses [9 credits] are required)

PSYC 6257	Child Neuropsychology with Lab	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
Two externship psychology	s specializing in clinical child and/or adolescent	Years 3 & 4	
Predoctoral or doctoral research in clinical child and/or adolescent psychology			
Didactics in clin CTS & externsh	ical child and/or adolescent psychology (within hips)	Years 1-3	

**Primary Faculty:** Drs. Liz Raposa (Area Director), Peggy Andover, Amy Roy, Natasha Burke, Keith Cruise, and Andrew Rasmussen; **Affiliated Faculty**: Dr. Rachel Annunziato,

#### FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY (Any 3 courses [9 credits] are required)

PSYC 6030	Trauma and Family Violence	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6190	Forensic Assessment	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 7010	Psychology and Criminal Law	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 7030	Psychology and Juvenile Justice	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
Two externships specializing in forensic psychology		Years 3 & 4	
Predoctoral or o	doctoral research in forensic psychology		
Didactics in forensic psychology (within CTS & externships)		Years 1-3	

Primary Faculty: Drs. Keith Cruise and Barry Rosenfeld (Area Directors); Affiliated Faculty: Dr. Celia Fisher and Dr. Andrew Rasmussen; Associated Faculty: Dr. Brian Belfi, Dr. Melodie Foellmi, Dr. Michele Galieta

## HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY (Any 3 courses [9 credits] are required)

PSYC 6020	Health Psychology	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6050	Behavioral Medicine	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6251	Neuropsychology with Lab	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6257	Child Neuropsychology with Lab	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6290	Health Disparities & Social Inequities	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
Two externship	s specializing in health psychology	Years 3 & 4	
Predoctoral or doctoral research in health psychology			
Didactics in hea	alth psychology (within CTS & externships)	Years 1-3	

**Primary Faculty:** Drs, Haruka Minami & Natasha Burke (Co-Directors); Barry Rosenfeld. **Affiliated Faculty:** Dr. Rachel Annunziato, Dr. Monica Rivera Mindt

PSYC 6251	Foundations of Neuropsychology*	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6253	Neuropsychological Assessment with Lab*	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6257	Child Neuropsychology with lab	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6290	Health Disparities & Social Inequities	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits

# **NEUROPSYCHOLOGY** (\*Required courses; 3 total courses [9 credits] are required)

**Primary Faculty:** Drs. Monica Rivera Mindt and Molly Zimmerman (Area Directors); **Affiliated Faculty:** Drs. Amy Roy, Karen Siedlecki, and Elissa Aminoff

# **Research Training**

Year 2 or 3

Years 3 & 4

Years 1-3

3 Credits

(18 Credits)

# Research/Statistics Courses (9 credits, required)

Psychopharmacology

Two externships specializing in health/neuropsychology

Didactics in neuropsychology (within CTS & externships)

Predoctoral or doctoral research in neuropsychology

**PSYC 6670** 

PSYC 6802	Introduction to Psychological Statistics with Lab	Year 1	3 Credits
PSYC 6830	Research Methodology	Year 1	3 Credits
PSYC 7804	Regression Analysis with Lab	Year 2	3 Credits

# Research Training (9 credit hours, required)

PSYC 8025	Research Colloquium (6 semesters)	Years 1-3	0 Credits
PSYC 8050 <sup>1</sup> (or 8040)	Research Practicum (MA Thesis)	Year 2 (summer)	3 Credits
PSYC 0950	Dissertation Proposal Development (completed by Dissertation Proposal Acceptance) *	Year 3 or 4	1 Credit/semester
PSYC 9999	Dissertation Mentoring (completed by Dissertation Progress Report Acceptance) *	Year 4 or 5	1 Credit/semester

<sup>1</sup> For students entering w/ an MA degree AND approved thesis, PSYC 8040 is substituted for this requirement. \*PSYC 0950 is converted to PSYC 0960 (3 credits) upon acceptance of Proposal and PSYC 9999 is converted to PSYC 0970 (3 credits) upon acceptance of Progress Report

#### **Optional Research/Statistics Courses**

We have an outstanding Psychometrics & Quantitative Psychology (PQP) Doctoral Program, and we strongly encourage our students to leverage this valuable resource by developing advanced competence in research methodology and/or statistics. Students may choose to take one or more graduate courses in methods and/or statistics within the Department of Psychology as elective credits. Some examples of possible courses are listed below, and you can check for additional options within current course listings on the Department website.

PSYC 6390	Qualitative Methods	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 7290	Item-Response Theory	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 7812	Factor Analysis	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 7830	Structural Equation Modeling	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 7850	Hierarchical Linear Modeling	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 7825	Models of Decision and Choice	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits

#### Other Required Coursework (APA Bases) (18 Credit hours)

#### Biological Bases of Behavior: Met by the following required course (3 credit hours)

PSYC 6654 Introduction to Neuroscience	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
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#### Social Bases: Met by the following required course (3 credit hours)

PSYC 5710	Issues in Social Psychology	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
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#### History and Systems: Met by the following required course (3 credit hours)

PSYC 6066	History and Systems in Psychology	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
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#### Cognitive/Affective Bases: Met by the following required course (3 credit hours)

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#### Individual Bases: Met by the following required course (3 credit hours)

PSYC 6225 Personality Theories and Research	Year 2 or 3	3 credits
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#### **Developmental Bases:** Met by one of the following courses (3 credit hours)

PSYC 6300	Foundations of Developmental Psychology	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits
PSYC 6330	Cognitive Development	Year 2 or 3	3 Credits

#### REGISTRATION

The Associate Dean of the Graduate School automatically places an Academic Hold on all students at the beginning of each semester. The Director of Clinical Training (DCT) will release advising holds prior to registration dates.

In terms of figuring out which courses to take, please refer to the 'Typical Sequence of Study' (TSoS) in this Handbook (below) and touch base with your mentors (and DCT if you need any help) prior to registering to make sure you are registering for appropriate courses. If you (or your cohort as a whole) wish to make any major deviations in your schedule from the TSoS in terms of timing of required courses, you must check with DCT first for permission.

Students should consult with their mentors regarding which electives they should be taking given their respective career trajectories. They are an excellent resource for you, utilize this resource! Also of note, electives are often only offered every other year so please keep that in mind as you think about which electives to take. Lastly, if you have any other questions or concerns about scheduling courses, you can discuss further with the Associate DCT.

Course	When to Register		
PSYC 0910 Maintenance	Register for this after completing all course work and when not registered for any other courses. <b>Students</b> <b>must maintain matriculation every semester they</b> <b>are in the program. Failure to maintain matriculation</b> <b>is grounds for dismissal.</b> Students who fail to maintain matriculation for two consecutive semesters are <b>automatically</b> terminated from the program (see GSAS Academic Policies and Procedures).		
PSYC 0950 Proposal Development	Register when developing Dissertation Proposal. Two semesters maximum.		
PSYC 0960 Proposal Acceptance	Add this course during the semester that you pass your Dissertation Proposal Meeting.		
PSYC 9999 Dissertation Direction	Register for this course every semester that you are collecting and analyzing data and writing up your Progress Report.		
PSYC 0970 Dissertation Mentoring	Add this course during the semester that you pass your Dissertation Progress Report.		
No Course Registration	The Oral Defense		

#### **INCOMPLETES**

Occasionally extenuating circumstances make completion of a specific class (or classes) impossible and students request an "incomplete" (INC). Any such requests MUST be first made to the professor, and if approved, the DCT must be notified. Incompletes MUST be resolved before the end of the following semester (not including summer semester; i.e., an INC from the spring semester must be resolved by December). Failure to resolve an INC in a timely manner will result in that grade being converted to an F and may adversely affect eligibility for future financial aid or assistantships. Excessive INC grades may result in termination from the doctoral program.

# **TRANSFER CREDITS**

Students with a MA in Psychology and who have an accepted empirical thesis from their MA institution are permitted to transfer up to 30 credits towards the Ph.D. The precise number of credits transferred, and the extent to which transfer credits reduce the number of courses needed to complete the degree depend upon the extent to which prior course work is consistent with Fordham's requirements. The Director of Clinical Training and the faculty members teaching the Fordham courses in question jointly determine compatibility. A Fordham MA is not awarded to these students as they already hold the Masters Degree and the student has a maximum of **8 years** rather than the usual 10 years to complete the degree.

Students with a MA in General Psychology, or any other subfield of psychology, based on at least **30** credits, can transfer up to **6** credits toward a Fordham MA **after 12 Fordham MA credits have been earned** with a **minimum GPA of 3.0** and an additional **6** credits towards the PhD after admission to doctoral candidacy. These credits must come from **graduate** course work **in excess of that required for their general MA**. This requirement implements New York State's prohibition against using the same course toward two different degrees (i.e., Fordham's MA or Ph.D. and the previously awarded degree). Thus, transfer credits are typically restricted to students who took graduate courses, but never received a MA degree, or completed coursework beyond that required for their MA degree. The course grade must be "B" or better for transfer towards a Fordham MA and B+ or better for transfer towards a Fordham PhD. Each course identified for transfer must be approved by the Director of Clinical Training, usually in consultation with the faculty member teaching the corresponding course at Fordham.

Students with graduate course work who do not have a transferable MA can transfer 6 credits towards their Fordham coursework. Transferred courses satisfy requirements as completely as do courses taken at Fordham. Students can also request a waiver of a Fordham course requirement based on comparable GRADUATE coursework taken elsewhere. Course waivers do not reduce the number of credits needed to graduate as transferring courses does.

# TYPICAL SEQUENCE OF STUDY

This overview provides guidance on expected timing of coursework if program requirements are to be completed in 5 years. It is up to students whether or not to complete program requirements in 5 years. Most students delay internship until their  $6^{th}$  year, using the  $5^{th}$  year to make further progress towards completing the dissertation. Thus, most of our students complete the program within 6 – 7 years, and specific data on this can be found on the CPDP website at the following link: "Student Admissions, Outcomes, Other Data (APA Disclosure)."

	Fall	Spring	Summer	
Year 1	<ul> <li>Cognitive Assessment</li> <li>Psychopathology</li> <li>Research Methods</li> <li>Intro to Psych. Statistics</li> <li>Clinical Topics Seminar</li> <li>Research Colloquium</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Personality Assessment I</li> <li>Psychopathology</li> <li>Psychotherapy Theories</li> <li>Regression Analysis</li> <li>Clinical Topics Seminar</li> <li>Research Colloquium</li> <li>Identification of Child Abuse</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>History and Systems in Psychology*</li> <li>Work on MA thesis</li> <li>Elective (optional)</li> </ul>	
approval fr	<ul> <li>Externship I</li> <li>Externship II</li> <li>Ethics in Psychology</li> <li>Elective*</li> <li>Clinical Topics Seminar</li> <li>Research Colloquium</li> <li>MA Thesis proposal due</li> <li>Elective allotted 30 credits for the year. In fall and spring semester, they must take 3 courses but may take 4 m the DCT (between 9-12 credits per semester). During the Summer, they can take up to 9 credits where the plan ahead to ensure that the student has enoughered and the student has enougher</li></ul>			
Year 3	<ul> <li>Externship III</li> <li>Multicultural Seminar</li> <li>Elective*</li> <li>Elective (optional)</li> <li>Clinical Topics Seminar</li> <li>Research Colloquium</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Externship IV</li> <li>Cognition and Affect*</li> <li>Elective</li> <li>Elective (optional)</li> <li>Clinical Topics Seminar</li> <li>Research Colloquium</li> <li>Doctoral Comprehensive Examination due (March)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Teaching of Psychology</li> <li>Elective (optional)</li> <li>Begin Dissertation</li> </ul>	
Year 4	<ul> <li>Externship V</li> <li>Dissertation Proposal</li> <li>Internship applications</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Externship VI</li> <li>Dissertation data collection</li> <li>Internship interviews</li> </ul>	Begin Internship	
Year 5	<ul><li>Internship</li><li>Dissertation Progress Report</li></ul>	<ul><li>Internship</li><li>Dissertation Oral Defense</li></ul>	<ul><li>Complete Internship</li><li>Graduate !!</li></ul>	

\*It is not required that these courses be taken in the semesters listed in this table, but this sequence is highly suggested. <sup>1</sup>Research Practicum credits taken in Summer, unless your project dictates Spring as better for a given student. Please consult with DCT & Maria Barbieri first.

Summer classes are optional, but most students take 1-2 classes per summer. Summer coursework enables students to reduce their course load during the academic year and/or complete supplemental electives (e.g., advanced statistical courses, specialization coursework). Financial aid packages provide funding for 2 classes per summer for the first 3 years and also in the 4<sup>th</sup> year if a Teaching Fellow) so long as students are actively engaged in their respective assistantships and maintain satisfactory academic progress. Summer funding for advanced students (4<sup>th</sup> year and above) depends on their specific packages. Please refer to your annual award letter for more information or contact Maria Barbieri if you have further questions.

# **CLINICAL TOPICS SEMINAR**

All students attend Clinical Topics Seminar (CTS) for 6 semesters (the first three years). CTS is intended to serve multiple goals including facilitating the professional development of graduate students through, among other things, formal didactic presentations, guest lectures by faculty and invited speakers, and student presentations. Specifically, students are required to give a flash talk on their MA thesis topic in the fall of the 3<sup>rd</sup> year and a clinical case conference (in the Spring semester of the 4th year).

Topics covered in CTS rotate across different semesters and years (e.g., specific topic presentations that are covered sequentially and more in-depth on a rotating three-year cycle) in order to minimize repetition. Attendance and participation are the primary requirements for Clinical Topics Seminar. Students with an excessive number of absences (3 or more unexcused absences per semester) will receive an Incomplete (INC) for the semester. This INC will have to be made up in the 4<sup>th</sup> year.

Student presentations. The Master's Thesis Flash Talks and Clinical Case Conference serve several important purposes:

- (1) To help strengthen public speaking and scientific presentation skills. Moreover, students demonstrate their ability to incorporate/comment on issues of individual differences/multicultural issues and ethical issues within both presentations.
- (2) To help build a vibrant research and clinical community among the 1<sup>st</sup>- 3<sup>rd</sup> year students in CTS. Audience members have an opportunity to hear what their peers are doing and also to think critically and ask questions.
- (3) To give clinical faculty opportunities to observe these critical elements of clinical psychology training and provide feedback to the students. Students receive written feedback on their research and case conference presentations that is based on a summary of faculty evaluations. Copies of the faculty evaluation forms and additional presentation information are available for review on the CTS folder of the Clinical Students' Google Drive Folder. Students are expected to receive an overall rating of 'Satisfactory' in order to demonstrate competency on presenting research findings (MA thesis) and case consultation. If a student does not meet this level of competency, they will receive additional guidance/mentorship from the DCT and/or Associate DCT and student's mentor in order to prepare a new presentation for the following year (or at a time/schedule that meets with a student's other obligations) in order to have an additional opportunity to demonstrate competency in this required area. Students are expected to work closely with their research mentors and/or externship supervisors in order to prepare for these presentations.

#### **RESEARCH REQUIREMENTS**

Because of the program's emphasis on developing psychologists with strong research training, it is expected that all students will, at some point in their graduate training, be ACTIVELY involved in the conduct of research. For many students, this requirement is easily fulfilled, as many students are actively involved in large-scale research projects with their mentor. This is also achieved through the process of the MA thesis and doctoral dissertation. Some students opt to rely on archival data or publicly available datasets for their research. This is acceptable for ONE of the two projects, provided the student has collected, or plans to collect data independently for the other project (i.e., a student might use archival data or a pre-existing dataset for the MA thesis, but would then be expected to collect dissertation data and not rely on another archival dataset for the dissertation). See the Dissertation Manual for more details on the Use of Archival Data. It is acceptable for students to use data from an ongoing study of their mentor provided that they are actively involved in the data collection process. If there are any questions about whether a project meets these requirements, contact your mentor or the DCT. Of note, work completed as a "research assistant" prior to graduate school **does not** satisfy the requirement that students engage in research as *part of their graduate training*.

As part of students' demonstrating intermediate and advanced levels of competence in their research training, the quality of students' research is evaluated using the Thesis and Dissertation Evaluation Form. Faculty (i.e., MA mentors and readers; Dissertation Committee members) rate students' final MA thesis, final dissertation and their dissertation orals presentation at the Oral Defense meeting (summary scores of 3 or better on the Thesis and Dissertation Evaluation Form are considered a passing grade; forms located at the end of this document). As part of this form, students are also evaluated in terms of their attention to individual differences/multicultural issues and ethical issues. Students will not be allowed to pass their respective MA thesis and dissertation requirements until the quality of their work is judged to meet this minimum level of competency.

Students who enter the graduate program with an MA in Clinical Psychology from another institution **MAY** have the MA thesis requirement waived. The decision as to whether the MA thesis from another institution is acceptable is made by the DCT, in consultation with faculty who have expertise in the thesis topic. If an MA thesis is deemed acceptable, the student would not be required to complete a second thesis but will be expected to engage in a pre-doctoral research project (under the mentorship of a faculty member) following the same timeline and guidelines as is required for the MA thesis (with the exception of submission to the Graduate School upon completion). Please see the MA Thesis and Dissertation manuals for more information regarding guidelines and procedures (on the CPDP Student Google Drive and Department website).

#### ADVANCEMENT TO CANDIDACY

Students are advanced to candidacy after successfully completing all program requirements during their first two years of matriculation, including their MA thesis requirement. Faculty meet to review their academic progress at the start of their third year (following their August submission of their final MA thesis to GSAS) and vote on whether or not students have made satisfactory academic progress as outlined within this Handbook. So long as students have made satisfactory progress and there are no other faculty concerns, students are advanced to candidacy.

#### **TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAM**

All students are required to successfully complete the Teaching of Psychology course in their third year and attend the Teacher Training Workshop during their matriculation. The Teacher Training Workshop must be attended before teaching any course within the Psychology Department including labs, and successful completion of the Teaching of Psychology seminar is a requirement before serving as a Teaching Fellow or Teaching Associate. Regardless of whether a CPDP student is serving as a Teaching Fellow or Teaching Associate, the Teaching of Psychology course is still a program requirement as teaching skills that extend beyond the classroom are covered in this course. Students who serve as TA's or instructors are also expected to demonstrate excellence and ethical conduct in all aspects of their teaching. As part of the Teacher Training program, student instructors are paired with a faculty supervisor for the duration of the semester to help with syllabus and course preparation and issues that arise during the semester. Faculty supervisors also observe at least one class session and provide feedback to students regarding their performance. Students who teach also receive end-of-semester student evaluations (Students Evaluations of Educational Quality [SEEQ] Teacher Rating Forms). In order to demonstrate competence in this area, student instructors' teaching evaluations (SEEQs) are expected to earn satisfactory ratings from students for each course they teach (i.e., score of 5 "Average" or better on Overall Instructor Rating of the SEEQ form), and faculty ratings based on their in-class observations of student teaching (i.e., scores of 2 "Satisfactory" or better on Student Teaching Observation Form).

#### **COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION**

Students will complete an integrative literature review identifying a gap in the current literature that should be completed with the goal of publication in mind. This involves multiple steps including: (1) Committee Selection, (2) Letter of Intent, (3) Comprehensive Exam Document, and (4) Oral Defense. These steps are described in more detail below. Dates provided are approximate and specific dates will be determined each year (typically over the summer) and will be provided to students prior to the start of their third year. NOTE: The CPDP is continually evaluating each step of this new procedure and faculty reserve the right to make adjustments to the process and procedures based on annual evaluation of the practice. Appropriate notice is provided to students by the DCT when such changes are made.

**OVERVIEW:** Students are expected to write an integrative literature review that addresses <u>a novel question</u> or <u>identifies an existing gap in the literature</u>. All projects must be conducted <u>independently</u>. The topic for the Comprehensive Exam may ultimately be related to the student's dissertation topic, but it is not meant to be (and cannot be) the Introduction to the dissertation. As a guiding principle, final products are expected to be 12 to 15 pages in length, 1" margins, single-spaced, 11pt Arial or 12pt Times New Roman font. The guiding recommendation of 12 to 15 pages is for the body of the paper (i.e., does not include title page, references, or tables).

**COMMITTEE:** Students will typically select a comps mentor who is a CPDP faculty member. The comps mentor does not have to be the student's primary research mentor but in most cases will be. Approval must be obtained from the DCT in advance if the student would like the comps mentor to be a non-CPDP faculty member (e.g., ADP or PQP faculty member). The DCT will assign two readers from the Psychology Department considering but not bound by recommendations from the comps mentor. If students have any requests or preferences regarding readers, they should submit these to their comps mentor no later than **September 15th** with the comps mentor forwarding the student's requested readers to the DCT no later than **October 1**. The comps mentor and readers must all be members of the Psychology Department.

LETTER OF INTENT (LOI): By October 15th, of the 3rd academic year, students must submit a letter of intent (LOI) to the comps mentor, DCT, and Nicole proposing the topic of the Comprehensive Exam. Students are encouraged to have an initial conversation with their primary mentor regarding their topic prior to sending out the LOI; however, this is not a required step to develop the LOI. Based on the LOI, and recommendations from the comps mentor, the DCT will assign readers within 10 days. The LOI will be distributed to the entire comps committee, with the student cc:ed on the email by either the DCT or Nicole. The committee will have 2 weeks to review and comment on the LOI. The purpose of this review is to confirm that the comprehensive exam topic seems feasible and to provide constructive guidance, primarily related to the proposed structure (i.e., inclusion of ethics and diversity, use of appropriate headings) that is consistent with the LOI structure noted below. The role of the mentor and readers is not to make substantive suggestions regarding the topic/content of the comprehensive exam unless they have serious doubts (or concerns) about feasibility. Committee members' comments will be submitted to Nicole who will compile them and send along to the student (copying the comps mentor and the committee members). Students should strongly consider these comments when completing their exam but will not be penalized if they choose not to follow them. The comments are considered suggestions not requirements. However, after receiving the LOI feedback, students are encouraged to meet with their comps mentor to review and consolidate the feedback into an actionable plan to inform their research and writing. The mentor has the discretion to seek out any clarification from the committee (in the case of discrepant feedback) and will coordinate communication to ensure the student has a clear direction to move forward from the LOI feedback process.

The LOI should be approximately 1000-1500 words (1-2 pages single spaced) and should adequately:

- identify topic, novel question, or gap in the existing literature that involves a clear clinical theme;
- identify that such a review has not been done previously or that the student is taking a different approach than has been taken before (i.e., how does this review relate to or expand upon prior reviews)
- identify journal(s) for possible publication
- include key search terms and keywords and describe search methods
- outline the key sections of the Comprehensive Exam indicating the major topic areas that will be addressed in the review (i.e., table of contents format)

**ADDENDUMS:** Recognizing that the project may shift focus or scope midstream due to the discovery of new information, data, or theories, students may submit an addendum to their approved LOIs until <u>January 15th</u>, <u>of</u> <u>the 3<sup>rd</sup> academic year</u>. The committee will have 2 weeks to review and approve the addendum. The addendum must include a clear rationale for the proposed change along with details of the change (e.g., an addendum may be warranted when the student's research has resulted in a need to expand or contract the scope of the review compared to what was presented in the original LOI and/or the LOI feedback). An addendum can be submitted at any time up to January 15th. Students may only submit one addendum. Addendums are not required; they simply serve as an opportunity for students to the seek approval from the committee for *substantive deviations from the approved LOI*. Approval of the addendum will be managed by the comps committee and conveyed to the student through the comps mentor.

**WRITTEN EXAM:** The written exam must be submitted by email to the committee by <u>March 15th, of the 3<sup>rd</sup> academic year</u>. Students can submit the written exam prior to this date and are encouraged to do so based on other commitments. This email *must* include Nicole so that she can record that the exam has been formally received by the department. Any extenuating circumstances that would necessitate an extension of this deadline *must* be communicated to the DCT, and approved by the student's comps committee no later than one week prior to the submission date. The committee will have a two week reading time period. Once the exam is submitted, students will receive tentative dates for the oral exam. Once students receive the committee's feedback, then Nicole finalizes the date and time of the oral examination (typically within 1- 2 weeks). The oral examination will be scheduled by Nicole, in consultation with the student, comps mentor, and committee after the written exam has been submitted and must occur within 30 days of submitting the written exam – excluding holiday breaks and weekends.

**ORAL EXAMINATION:** After students have submitted their written exam to the committee, they will engage in an oral defense of the written exam. The format for the oral exam will include a 10 to 15 minute presentation by the student, followed by a question and answer exchange with each member of the committee (approximately 1 hour in total). The oral exam is an integral part of the Comprehensive Exam process and must be deemed satisfactory by the committee in order to pass the Comprehensive Exam.

**GRADING:** The grading rubric for the Comprehensive Exam is attached below. Each member of the comps committee independently rates both the written and oral portions of the exam, with scores averaged across all raters. Students must pass both the written and oral exam portions. Students must earn an overall <u>average</u> <u>score of 3.0</u> on all four domains of the written exam rubric to pass the written exam. An overall score of 3.0 on the oral presentation rubric is needed in order to pass the oral exam.

If a student does not earn an average score of 3.0 or higher on only one written exam domain, they will be provided one opportunity to submit a <u>focused revision</u> to the committee addressing that content area. The student's comps mentor will review all of the feedback from the committee members, based on the rubric, and meet with the student so that they are aware of the area requiring revision. The student should submit a revised version of the failed section along with a brief memo detailing how they responded to the committee's comments. The deadline for this revision is typically one week after the feedback has been received, and can be no later than 7 days prior to the oral examination. This focused revision does not delay scheduling of the oral exam (see Timeline below). The comps committee will provide feedback on the focused revision and the orals following the oral exam.

If a student does not earn an average score of 3.0 or higher on two or more written exam domains, or on the overall exam mean score, they will have one opportunity to provide a <u>major rewrite</u> addressing each domain and integrating committee feedback across all four domains. The student's comps mentor will review all of the feedback from the committee members, based on the rubric, and meet with the student so that they are aware of the areas requiring revision. The major rewrite must be submitted within 30 <u>calendar</u> days of written exam grade notification and the full committee will re-evaluate the entire written exam per the same grading procedures as the original submission. The 30 day time period for revisions begins when the written exam feedback is submitted to the student and mentor. When completing a major rewrite it is <u>strongly suggested</u> that the student produce a memo that clearly outlines the changes made in response to the committee's evaluation. In the case of a major rewrite, the student cannot progress to the oral exam until the written exam has been passed (i.e., an average score of 3.0 is obtained on all four domains, and overall exam score of 3.0) and will have only one opportunity to complete the major rewrite and earn the required passing grade.

Students who fail the oral exam will have a maximum of 30 calendar days after oral exam notification to reschedule this portion of the exam.

To earn a high pass, the student must earn an average score of 4.0 on two or more written exam domains <u>and</u> the oral presentation. Failure to meet the benchmarks detailed above will automatically disqualify students from a "high pass" grade. In addition, any student who fails to submit the LOI or the written exam on the assigned submission date identified will be ineligible to earn a high pass.

If a student fails to pass the Comprehensive Exam (written and/or orals) after revisions to the written and/or oral exam portions, CPDP and GSAS policies will be enacted regarding failure of the comprehensive exam with dismissal from the program. If a student believes that an incorrect assessment has been made of either the written or oral exam, they may appeal the grade in question utilizing the appeal process outlined in the GSAS Academic Policies and Procedures Guidebook.

# TIMELINE (dates will change each year; see Comps Manual for specific dates):

- Summer before 3<sup>rd</sup> Year begins: Begin work on the Comprehensive Exam around the time of completion of the MA thesis
- **September 15:** Deadline to notify comps mentor of any requests or preferences regarding readers for their comprehensive exam.
- **October 1**: Deadline for the comps mentor to notify the DCT of preferred readers/ committee members.
- October 15: Deadline to submit a LOI to comps mentor, DCT, and Nicole
- January 15: (OPTIONAL) Deadline to submit one addendum to the committee detailing substantial changes in focus or scope from the approved LOI
- March 15: Deadline to submit the Comprehensive Exam to the committee by <u>(cc:ing the email to DCT</u> and Nicole).
- Within two weeks of the student submitting the written exam, committee members will submit written exam ratings to Nicole who will compile and provide the student and committee with the written exam results. Results will be provided via email and within two working days after receiving all committee rating forms.
- **May 9th**: Deadline to complete the Oral Examination (30 days of submitting the written exam excluding holiday breaks and weekends). No later than 24 hours after the oral defense, committee members will submit their final ratings of the oral exam to Nicole who will calculate the oral exam grade and the overall final grade (pass, high pass or fail). Results will be provided via email within two working days after receiving all committee rating forms.
- If students fail to pass either the written or oral Comprehensive Exam (as determined based on the submitted rating forms), the student's comps mentor will review all of the feedback from the committee members, based on the rubric, and meet with the student so that they are aware of the areas requiring revision.
  - Students who require a focused revision (i.e., addressing one domain) of the written exam will conduct the revisions and submit to the committee (cc:ing Nicole) within 1 week of the scheduled oral exam.
  - Students who fail the written Comprehensive Exam (i.e, two or more written domains below a rating of 3.0) will have a maximum of 30 <u>calendar</u> days after the written exam notification to revise and resubmit the written exam using the same procedure as identified above. The 30 day time period for revisions begins when the written exam feedback is submitted to the student and mentor. The oral exam will not be scheduled until the revised written exam has been rated by the committee.
  - Students who fail the oral exam will have a maximum of 30 calendar days after oral exam notification to reschedule this portion of the exam.
- Failure to submit the written exam by March 15<sup>th</sup>, and/or complete the oral exam within the allowable time frame, will automatically result in academic probation with the potential to be dismissed from the program.
- Students can select to delay by one year the comprehensive exam process after consultation with their primary mentor and approval by the DCT. October 1st (i.e., date to notify DCT of the comps mentor selection) is the last date to have a one year extension approved by the DCT. Completing the comprehensive exam process is part of a student's evaluation of satisfactory academic progress and this delay should only be requested after serious deliberation and consultation. In addition, a student cannot propose their dissertation until the comprehensive examination has been completed.

# EXTERNSHIPS

As part of graduate training, all students complete a minimum of two academic years of externship training. Externships are limited to 2 days (16 hours) per week, although exceptions to this restriction MAY be possible in the 4<sup>th</sup> year or for paid externship positions. During the first two years of externship training (i.e.,  $2^{nd} \& 3^{rd}$  yr. students), students may not participate in more than one externship at a time and advanced students (4<u>+</u> yr

students) must first obtain approval from DCT & Clinic Director (Dr. Alex Kriss) if they are interested in participating in 2 externships at the same time. Students are not allowed to participate in any externship prior to the Fall semester of their 2<sup>nd</sup> year. Students are expected to notify the DCT & Clinic Director of their externship placement site and immediately notify the DCT & Clinic Director if the student has any concerns or problems at the externship site. Students are also expected to follow the externship application guidelines and procedures set forth by the New York New Jersey Directors of Training (NYNJADOT; available electronically on Google docs and via request to program coordinator). Further, students may not elect to terminate an externship without first notifying the DCT & Clinic Director and providing ample time to try to remediate the situation if that is possible.

An expanded document that describes the process of selecting, applying, interviewing, and accepting an externship has been developed by the CPDP leadership team and is available electronically in the CPDP Google Drive.

**EXTERNSHIP SITE SELECTION**. The primary purpose of externship is to help students develop a range of clinical skills that will prepare him or her for internship and, eventually, independent practice as a psychologist. To attain that goal, students should seek a balance of assessment and intervention experience, and work with a range of different settings and populations (e.g., adults and children, inpatient and outpatient, etc.). The specific balance of treatment versus assessment and general versus specialized training experiences will vary depending on student interest and focus. Students whose primary externship placements do not provide the opportunity for adequate assessment experience often seek supplemental experiences (e.g., a summer or 4<sup>th</sup> year externship).

Information for all of the externship training sites is available at https://nynjadot.apa.org/employer-directory. The CPDP also has a local database maintained by the Clinic Director that provides information about student experiences at a large number of the externship sites. Students should prepare a list of externship sites (roughly 5-6) they plan to apply to and submit them to the Clinic Director by **December 15<sup>th</sup>**. These requests will then be discussed with, and approved by the Clinic Director in order to develop an optimal training plan for each graduate student. **NO STUDENT IS PERMITTED TO APPLY FOR ANY EXTERNSHIP WITHOUT PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FROM THE DCT OR CLINIC DIRECTOR.** Following a recent agreement reached by the directors of all of the NYC-area graduate programs and many of the externship sites, **NO STUDENT IS PERMITTED TO APPLY FOR EXTERNSHIP BEFORE JANUARY 15** and no externship sites are permitted to have a deadline prior to February 1. Interviews will take place throughout February and early March, with offers and acceptance decisions expected in March. Any problems (e.g., externship sites pressuring students to make early decisions) should be reported to the DCT or Clinic Director. Note that NYNJADOT guidelines are updated annually with application, interview, and match dates. This information is shared with all students annually by the DCT or the Clinic Director.

One way to evaluate externship placements is the extent to which they contribute positively to your APPIC internship application form. Students should review the APPIC site and available APPI forms early in their graduate training (and regularly throughout their training) in order to understand the expectations of internship sites and obtain relevant and sufficient clinical experience. Students are also expected to carefully monitor the nature of, and time spent on all aspects of their clinical training, as this information is required for the APPIC application. In addition, all students are required to complete the **Externship Training Review Form** following completion of any externship experiences. This form is used to help provide feedback to program faculty regarding the quality of the training experience, and can help guide future students with regard to their choice of externships. These evaluations of externship sites are made available (anonymously) to assist students in selecting externship placements.

**GRADING.** To receive a grade of Pass (P) for each semester students are registered for externship they must receive a satisfactory evaluation from their clinical supervisor, using the **Fordham University Clinical Evaluation Form** (found in this handbook and available electronically on Google Drive) in order to insure adequate skill development, professional demeanor and ethical behavior (e.g., Satisfactory ratings on all summary ratings). All externship placements must complete this supervisory evaluation at the completion of the placement (including summer and supplemental placements). Externship placements completed in years 2 and 3 must also include mid-year supervisory evaluations (typically in January). At the outset of all externship placements, the student is required to forward his or her supervisor's contact information to the Clinic Director and to Nicole. Supervisory evaluations will be requested by the Clinic Director prior to completion of the externship, in order to provide ample opportunity for site supervisors to discuss supervisory ratings with the student. To receive a grade of Pass, students must also submit the **Externship Training Review Form** (found at the end of this manual and available electronically) in order to facilitate monitoring of the caliber of training received and allow for accurate monitoring of externship sites. <u>Note</u>: this form is only required at the end of the end of the

Students are expected to get satisfactory ratings from their supervisors during their two years of required externship in order to successfully fulfill the externship requirement. On occasion, students may receive an unsatisfactory evaluation from an externship supervisor. Mid-year evaluations that result in an unsatisfactory evaluation will result in a grade of INC for the semester, to be resolved after the end-of-year evaluation has been received. **Students who receive an unsatisfactory end-of-year evaluation (i.e., a rating of 1, corresponding to Below Expectations, on two or more summary ratings)** will be required to successfully complete an additional year of externship training. Two years of unsatisfactory evaluations will result in termination from the Clinical PhD program.

#### MALPRACTICE INSURANCE

All students seeing patients in the FCMHC are required to purchase and maintain their own malpractice insurance. Most students use an inexpensive plan (~\$35/year) provided by the American Psychological Association's Insurance Trust (APAIT). Students should begin this coverage in their first year and maintain it consistently throughout their graduate school matriculation. While the University provides some malpractice coverage for all activities that are directly related to graduate training, outside employment, additional training experiences (outside of formal externships) and a host of other activities are not covered by the university's policy.

# **ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORTS**

All matriculating students are **REQUIRED** to submit an annual activity report each spring (see in the Important Forms at the end of the handbook). This report documents accomplishments during the previous year. This information is critical for adequate monitoring of student progress and APA reporting requirements, and enables our faculty to assess each student's progress towards graduate and career goals. Fall registration holds will not be released if this information has not been received and students may not be considered for financial aid if annual documentation has not been provided.

# **INTERNSHIP APPLICATIONS**

Students must have made satisfactory academic progress, be in good academic standing, and successfully defended their dissertation proposal by **OCTOBER 1** of the semester they plan to apply for internship.

Those students who plan to meet this deadline and apply for internship should submit, to the DCT a list of internship sites they anticipate applying to and schedule an individual meeting for early October. Although the ultimate decision about where to apply and how many applications to submit rests with the student, the DCT will review the list of sites and may suggest alterations or additions. Only APA-accredited internship sites are acceptable during the Phase I application process. Because of the increasingly competitive nature of internship

applications, most students typically apply to approximately 15 internship placements, with some breadth in location (i.e., outside of New York City). In 2022, the CPDP faculty authorized that any student who enters Phase II of the match process can submit applications to non-accredited programs if the non-accredited program is able to verify that the program has initiated the accreditation process. Evidence that the non-accredited program has initiated the accreditation that a self-study has been submitted. This change balances student flexibility in securing an internship placement during Phase II while also increasing the likelihood that the non-accredited program will achieve accreditation status during the student's internship year.

Students are also required to complete, in advance of meeting with the DCT, the Uniform Application for the Association of Psychology Postdoctoral and Internship Centers (AAPI) – available from their web page at <u>www.appic.org</u>. Because this application changes periodically, it is critical to complete the most up-to-date version of the application.

Students are advised to review this application EARLY in their graduate careers, in order to adequately monitor the types of data needed for the internship application (e.g., tracking clinical training experiences).

# GRADUATION

Degrees are formally conferred during graduation ceremonies held in May, August, and February. Students who complete all required coursework (to this point) and complete the MA Thesis by August (before their 3<sup>rd</sup> year) will officially receive their MA degree in August prior to starting their 3<sup>rd</sup> year. Doctoral students who complete their internship during the summer, and have defended their dissertation before May 1, are typically allowed to participate in the May graduation ceremony but do not officially receive their degree until the August graduation. It could take up to one semester to deliver your actual diploma.

# POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS

Students who are in the process of completing the program often apply for post-doctoral fellowships prior to completion of the program. Because of the binding nature of most post-docs, which typically require a letter from the DCT certifying that the student is expected to graduate before the post-doc begins, **students are NOT permitted to apply for post-doctoral fellowships unless they have already scheduled a Dissertation Progress Report.** Note that the Progress Report meeting cannot be scheduled until the Progress Report document is ready for distribution to the dissertation committee (i.e., 2 weeks prior to the date of the meeting).

# IMPORTANT GSAS/DEPARTMENTAL/PROGRAM GUIDELINES

# FULL TIME STATUS

Students must maintain continuous enrollment until all degree requirements are completed (see GSAS Policies and Procedures). Students are expected to take four 3-credit courses per semester in Year 1, three to four 3-credit courses per semester in Year 2 (please confirm with mentor and DCT if you wish to take four courses), three 3-credit courses per semester in Year 3, and one 3-credit course per semester in year 4. The Externship seminar counts as one of these 3-credit courses in each semester of years 2, 3 and 4. Additional credits are associated with completion of the MA thesis (3 credits), doctoral dissertation (6 credits) and an APA-accredited Internship (2 credits). Additional course work completed over the summer or transferred from a prior institution may reduce the number of courses per semester.

Please also note that student loans typically become due once full-time status is no longer maintained.

Full time status during the 4<sup>th</sup> and subsequent years requires that the following three conditions be met:

- 1) The student's dissertation mentor must be identified
- 2) The mentor must be willing to certify that the student is working the equivalent of at least three weekdays per week on the dissertation; this requires behavioral evidence such as physical presence in the department, adherence to a reasonable schedule of deadlines, etc.
- 3) The student may not be employed more than two days per week.

Students on Clinical Internship (PSYC 8080) automatically have full-time status.

Advanced students (and any students with extenuating circumstances) are expected to file a Status Form <u>each</u> <u>semester</u> in which "full-time" status is desired but is not reflected by enrollment for 12 credits. Complete this form during pre-registration in the department office. Students must submit a written statement from their mentor describing the fulfillment of the above three criteria along with the Status Form.

# SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS

"Satisfactory academic <u>performance</u>" is defined in the GSAS <u>Academic Policies and Procedures Guidebook</u> (<u>GAPPG</u>). This University policy requires that doctoral students maintain a 3.0 (master's program) and at least a 3.5 (doctoral program) GPA to demonstrate satisfactory academic performance. However, in order to maintain your financial aid, students must maintain a 3.5 GPA. You should consult this section of the GAPPG if you have any doubts or concerns about your level of academic performance.

"Satisfactory academic <u>progress</u>" becomes relevant after the first two years of coursework are completed. It is defined as completion (or demonstrating significant progress towards completion) of <u>at least</u> one of the following requirements each academic year after all regular course work has been completed:

- 1) Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam
- 2) Dissertation Proposal
- 3) Dissertation Progress Report
- 4) Dissertation Oral Defense
- 5) Internship

Clinical students are expected to complete the Ph.D. in no longer than six to seven years.

#### This means that the MINIMALLY acceptable pace toward the Ph.D. degree is as follows:

- Year 1 Course work, MA thesis preview submitted by May 1<sup>st</sup>
- Year 2 Introduction, Methods, and Planned Data Analysis for the MA Thesis submitted to reader by November 1 of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year

Failure to submit the Introduction, Methods, and Planned Data Analysis by November 1 of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year will result in a student being placed on academic probation for the Spring semester of their second year. Financial aid for the third year will be contingent on successful completion of the thesis. Successful completion of the thesis by August 1<sup>st</sup> will result in termination of the probationary status.

Year 2 Full draft of the MA thesis is submitted to the reader by June 1 of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year

Year 2 Final thesis submitted to GSAS by August 1<sup>st</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year Failure to complete the MA thesis in time for the August graduation deadline will result in an automatic placement on academic probation and the student will be terminated from the CPDP with their MA degree converted to a terminal Master's degree. The student will have one year in which to complete and submit a <u>late</u> master's thesis in order to receive the terminal MA degree.

Year 2 Course work and first externship completed

- Year 3 Course work, Second externship, and Ph.D. Comprehensive exam
- Year 4 Complete Supervision sequence
- Year 4+\* Dissertation Proposal; Dissertation Data Collection; Progress Report; Dissertation Oral Defense; Internship

\*Note. We <u>strongly</u> recommend students apply for internship by no later than Year 5, and complete the dissertation prior to going on internship if at all possible. We believe all students can feasibly complete entire program in no longer than 7 years.

# If any one of these indicators of "satisfactory academic progress" is not fulfilled according to this schedule, a student is placed on academic probation for one year or for a time period specified by the Department and approved by GSAS.

**STUDENTS ON ACADEMIC PROBATION ARE NOT AUTOMATICALLY ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID.** During the probationary time period the student must contact his/her mentor/advisor and the DCT to develop a proposed schedule for completion of all remaining degree requirements. A Degree Completion Schedule form is available in the department office. After obtaining the approval of the mentor/advisor and DCT, the student files the schedule with the Associate Chair for Graduate Studies. Acting upon the recommendation of the department, the Associate Dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences determines the final schedule for completion. If students subsequently miss a deadline on an approved schedule, they risk having financial aid removed and/or being dropped from the program. Therefore, they must contact their mentor/advisor for approval of any changes. Students should appreciate that they are allowed only one probationary period during their academic tenure.

**<u>Remediation Efforts</u>**: In the event that remediation efforts are needed, the student meets with the DCT in order to develop a written remediation plan with clear objectives and timelines. This remediation plan is reviewed and signed by the student, the DCT, the student's mentor, the Department Chair, and the Dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. As part of this remediation process, the student typically meets with the DCT and his/her mentor periodically to monitor and discuss progress on the remediation plan during the remediation period. Students receive verbal and written (email and/or hard copy) feedback regarding the extent to which remediation efforts have or have not been successful at the conclusion of the remediation period.

# PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT PLAGIARISM POLICY

Plagiarism has become an increasingly common occurrence due to widespread accessibility electronic source material. Beginning January 1, 2020, the Department initiated a policy of routine assessments of key documents to detect plagiarism. This analysis uses a state-of-the-art software program (TurnItIn) that can identify material that is quoted from published articles, books or on websites. This analysis is conducted at the point when key documents are ready to be submitted to faculty committees for review/analysis.

Key documents that are examined using the University's plagiarism detection software are the following:

- Completed master's theses (when submitted to the Reader for review)
- Completed comprehensive exams (when submitted to the committee)
- Completed dissertation proposals (at the time of distribution to the committee)
- Completed dissertation progress reports (at the time of distribution to the committee)

Primary mentors submit the completed key documents to Maria Barbieri by copying her on the email distributing these documents to the readers/committee members, so it can be analyzed for plagiarism.

The Department recognizes that this change in processes may seem like an extreme response, particularly given how infrequently this problem has arisen. However, the costs associated with plagiarism are substantial (for

students, faculty and the University). Of course, the faculty have always been aware of the possibility of plagiarism, and have utilized this software (or other approaches) on those rare occasions when it was suspected or identified, but the Department has determined that a routine assessment of all key documents is a preferable, and more accurate approach.

Students who are concerned about any of the above documents can utilize alternative resources to scan their documents in advance of submitting to the committee (i.e., submitting the same documents repeatedly to TurnItIn creates a record of previous iterations that are then used to scan resubmissions). All official reports will be created by Maria Barbieri and forwarded to mentors for review.

After reviewing the reports, primary mentors will determine if there is evidence of plagiarized content and follow all policies and procedures related to violation of academic integrity standards from the GSAS Policies and Procedures Guidebook.

#### EMAIL

Almost all communication from the University, the Department and the DCT to students will be by email. The University provides every student with an email account. Publicly available terminals in the Walsh library and elsewhere on campus are available to access your email account. You can access your email account from any computer that has access to the internet using the following http address: **mail.fordham.edu**. **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CHECKING THIS EMAIL REGULARLY**. If you routinely use another email address, you should arrange for email to be forwarded accordingly.

#### OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT

Outside employment, during the academic year, should not exceed the 16 hours per week requirement of students funded by Fordham. Students should never represent themselves as full-time to an employer while simultaneously claiming full-time student status. Outside employment can be pursued over the summer.

#### STUDENT EVALUATIONS

First and second year students are evaluated in December and May. All other students are evaluated annually in May. Evaluations are conducted at a Clinical Faculty Meeting where faculty members have access to the student's complete file, including recent transcripts, the annual activity report, and externship evaluations. Student evaluations are summarized in an annual letter from the DCT, emailed to the students directly. It is critical that students keep the Department informed of any address, phone, and/or email changes.

Clinical students are evaluated on personal<sup>2</sup> as well as academic and professional skills represented by the nine Profession-wide Competencies adopted by the Commission on Accreditation. The following two ethical principles guide deliberations. **Principle E: Concern for Others' Welfare**, requires psychologists to balance the welfare and rights of patients, clients, supervisees, and students. This includes concern for harm that may derive from

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The courts have consistently ruled that interpersonal skills and intrapersonal characteristics are considered part of academic credentials for psychology. Forrest, Elman, and Gizara (1997) report that "Court rulings have given 'great deference' to the judgment of faculty in evaluating and terminating students if it can be shown that the student has been evaluated fairly, given feedback, and the opportunity to remediate the deficiencies" (p. 34).

impaired or incompetent students. **Principle F: Social Responsibility**, expresses concern for the community and society in which psychologists work. This includes the responsibility to insure adequate interpersonal and professional skills in all graduates. Impairment refers to diminished functioning whereas incompetence refers to insufficient skills to provide adequate professional care. Impairment and incompetence can stem from interpersonal and intrapersonal problems, as well as inadequate theoretical understanding and insufficient clinical proficiency regarding assessment and treatment. Remediation of deficiencies includes but is not limited to: repeating coursework, repeating masters and/or doctoral comprehensive exams, repeating practica, increased supervision by the same or different supervisor, tutoring, or a leave of absence. Failure to benefit from remediation may be followed by counseling toward voluntary withdrawal from the program or termination. Fortunately, this unpleasant event is rather rare. The national average appears to be one student every two or three years is terminated (Forrest, Elman, & Gizara, 1997). Only about 2% of students nationwide fail to complete their internships (Forrest, Elman, & Gizara, 1997).

# ETHICAL STANDARDS/PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR

# **Ethical Standards**

The program is bound by the Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct set forth by the American Psychological Association (APA, 2010). In addition, we are bound by other ethical and professional principles promulgated by APA. Please see the references in this Handbook. Any breach of any part of these principles is grounds for dismissal from the program without further qualification regardless of course work, research or other academic achievement.

# **Professional Development & Identity**

The Fordham University CPDP prepares students to function as researchers, scientists, and clinicians. Overarching all of these activities is the formation of a strong professional identity, one that we strive to cultivate in students during their time in the program. The goal, from the perspective of the faculty, is that students in the program move from mentees to colleagues. In order to accomplish this, the CPDP faculty are committed to providing guidance on how to balance the work load associated with our expectations of professional functioning. In order for faculty to fulfill this commitment, we also expect students to adopt a professional attitude in their work, and carry this with them outside the confines of the University.

The development of professional identity is a process, one that we understand may be challenging at times. Early in your time in the program, it is understood that students will be absorbing research and clinical application literature, as well as foundation course work. As you move through the program into later years, the effort expended to absorb research and clinically relevant material will likely ease, but there will be other pressures on your time. Part of good professional function, therefore, is developing and establishing good habits around time management and planning.

In addition to developing good professional work habits, the program encourages students to begin their entre to the field through engagement in conferences or other membership organizations. This facilitates student socialization to the profession, allows for engagement with the latest developments in the field and subspecialty (if applicable), and encourages active involvement in contemporary movements in clinical research, science, and practice. These are habits that we hope students in the program will see as ones to maintain and refine throughout their careers long after graduating.

As part of students' professional conduct and professional development, it is also expected that students will limit their use of electronic devises (e.g., social media, emailing, texting) during classes, presentations of any kind, CTS, colloquium.

# **Professional Behavior**

In order to avoid incidents that may reflect unfavorably upon the student, the program, and/or the university, the following expectations regarding professional behavior are delineated below:

- 1) Students may not engage in any professional activities on or off campus without the prior approval of their DCT. Failure to obtain proper approval may jeopardize the student's standing in the program.
- 2) Under no circumstances are students permitted to treat clients privately without supervision, even if they are licensed to do so as another mental health professional.
- 3) The professional use of university facilities is limited to those functions that are a part of the student's training.
- 4) Students may not make financial commitments that might impact university, department, or program budgets without prior written permission from the DCT and, if necessary, the graduate divisions.
- 5) Students may not submit a paper in fulfillment of a class or research requirement if that paper, or one similar to it, was submitted in fulfillment of any other course or program unless the teachers/supervisors involved give approval.
- 6) Students are required to act in accordance with the APA's ethical principles and standards for providers of psychological services. Violation of these principles and standards may constitute grounds for dismissal from the program irrespective of any other consideration.

# Academic Integrity Standards

All CPDP students are expected to adhere to Academic Integrity standards as outlined in the GSAS Policies and Procedures Guidebook as well as the University Code of Conduct. Violations of academic integrity as established by GSAS include: plagiarism, cheating, falsification, and inappropriate collaboration. Violation of academic integrity are pursued through the process outlined in the GSAS Policies and Procedures Guidebook.

# **Social Media**

If you choose to describe your professional status and activities on social media (e.g., Facebook or LinkedIn), you should indicate that you are a graduate student in the Fordham University Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program. You should not describe practicum activities, specific skills in which you are trained, or titles that may be assigned to you at placements outside of the program. Any descriptions of that sort could be misconstrued and could unintentionally misrepresent your professional qualifications. Also, please remember that you cannot discuss or quote *any* of your clinical interactions with clients or research participants. Lastly, everything you post on social media is essentially public, and you should always be mindful of this and the APA Ethics Code as you make decisions about what you should and should not post. If you have any questions or concerns, please make an appointment to discuss with the DCT.

Additionally, as university employees, all students must review and be aware of the Fordham University Social Media Policy and agree to standards and procedures outlined in this policy concerning the proper use of social media for official business purposes and/or when posting content and comments to any official Fordham social media site.

# **REASONS FOR TERMINATION**

Termination will be determined by the entire faculty of the Psychology Department and/or by the Dean of the Graduate School. The following conditions are those under which a student may be terminated:

- 1) Having a cumulative GPA of less than 3.0.
- 2) Failing to make satisfactory academic progress as specified above.
- 3) Failure to complete the MA Thesis by August of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year.
- 4) Failing the Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination, a second time.
- 5) Unsatisfactory performance evaluations from two separate externship training sites.
- 6) Unethical or criminal behavior (plagiarism, cheating, violation of APA ethical guidelines, or University or governmental law, including harassment).
- 7) Serious psychological problems that affect the student's functioning in the program. Any student who, in the judgment of the faculty, is having psychological problems that interfere with effective service delivery and/or progress through the program will be advised orally and in writing as to necessary remediation which shall include but is not be limited to: repeating coursework, repeating externship, increased supervision by the same or different supervisor, tutoring, or a leave of absence. Failure to benefit from remediation may be followed by counseling toward voluntary withdrawal from the program or termination.

# NOTICE OF RIGHTS, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The CPDP affirms the University's commitment to the pursuit of truth, advancement of knowledge, and the statement of standards of behavior applicable to all students, faculty, and administrative officers through the University Code of Conduct. The code of conduct can be located at the following website (https://www.fordham.edu/info/20987/article 6 university code of conduct).

#### NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION POLICIES

The CPDP adheres to all nondiscrimination policies established by the University. Fordham University admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin and grants all admitted students to the rights, privileges, programs, and activities made available to students across the University.

As policy, Fordham University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, age, gender, national and ethnic origin, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, alienage or citizenship status, veteran status, or disability in the administration of educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and funding, other athletic and school-administered programs.

#### NOTICE OF DUE PROCESS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

The CPDP is committed to upholding standards of academic integrity. All CPDP students are expected to carry out their academic activities upholding the highest standard of integrity, honesty, and truth consistent with the APA Ethics Code as well as relevant GSAS and University Policies. Violations of academic integrity are governed by GSAS policies and procedures as noted in the GSAS Academic Policies and Procedures Guidebook.

All CPDP students have access to Fordham University's Institutional Equity and Compliance office. Any student who believes they have been discriminated against with respect to participation in, access to, or benefits of the CPDP, the Department of Psychology, and/or any academic program or activity within GSAS/University, can utilize the Institutional Equity and Compliance office and Title IX Coordinator for guidance on procedures and process for filing a complaint based on sex or gender discrimination, a general discrimination complaint, and/or report an incident of a hate crime (https://www.fordham.edu/info/22823/discrimination).

The CPDP follows all University policies related to sexual misconduct. All CPDP students should familiarize themselves with this policy including the process of filing and complaint and the procedures used by the University in responding to complaints

(https://www.fordham.edu/info/21366/policies/2719/sexual\_and\_related\_misconduct\_policy\_and\_procedures).

Beyond these formal channels, feedback about strengths and weaknesses of the clinical program is welcome. Please feel free to email your comments to <u>aroy3@fordham.edu</u>. The cohort meetings scheduled by the DCT are an additional forum for general discussion of these and related matters.

#### **CPDP EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (EC)**

In the Spring of 2017, the CPDP's inaugural EC was formed. The mission of the EC is to provide a mechanism for active and ongoing partnership between CPDP faculty and students in the ongoing strategic development and implementation of the program. Of note, the EC is not a formal governing body, but instead makes recommendations to the CPDP faculty, and provides a structure to implement strategic initiatives.

The EC offers a wonderful opportunity to get involved and provides a valuable service to the Program. Exemplars of the EC's past efforts include the development and dissemination of an updated and much more user-friendly list of mental health/wellness resources (see the Google Student folder) and the development and implementation of our first ever anonymous online survey for current students regarding student satisfaction, quality of life, and how to improve the program.

**EC Membership & Terms**. There are 5 Faculty slots and 5 Student Representative slots, which are detailed below:

*EC Faculty Slots.* There are 3 permanent faculty slots on the EC, one for the DCT, one for the Associate DCT, and one for the Clinical Director. The remaining 2 slots are filled with current CPDP faculty for 1-year terms. Membership is voluntary, and determined by faculty interest/availability and affirmed by the entire CPDP faculty. The DCT serves as the EC Chair.

*EC Student Slots*. We have 1-year terms for 5 EC Student Reps (one from each of the following Cohorts: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5+ Years) to assure representative input in the EC process throughout the academic developmental 'lifespan.' Students must be in good standing within the Program to serve on the EC. In the past, cohorts have met amongst themselves and decided on the person that they want to serve. Membership is completely voluntary and determined by consensus of your cohort. For the 5+ Year slot, students can self-nominate to the current EC for consideration. Please contact the DCT and Nicole McCarroll with any questions and to let them know your Cohort's nomination for EC Student Rep.

\*We encourage you to consider pursuing this leadership opportunity!

**EC Timeline**. Moving forward, it is recommended that member assignments for each academic year be confirmed by **May 15<sup>th</sup>** of the prior academic year.

**EC Member Expectations & Meeting Structure**. The EC commitment includes at least 1- 2 in-person (or Zoom) meetings/semester, ad hoc meetings when needed, active follow up on the work of the EC, and keeping your respective constituents (i.e., faculty, your cohort) up-to-date and getting their input to share w/ the EC. A designated EC member will be responsible to create/disseminate agendas and take/share minutes (stored on the EC Google folder). The structure of the EC meetings follows Robert's Rules of Order (http://www.rulesonline.com/)

# STUDENT SERVICES

Fordham University complies with all Federal and State regulations regarding disabled students in accordance with policies detailed on the Office of Disability Services website (<u>https://www.fordham.edu/info/20174/disability\_services</u>).

Legislation regulating disabled students seeking to become clinical psychologists requires them to:

- 1) Notify the program of their disability upon admission and to provide proof of their disability
- 2) Demonstrate that they are otherwise qualified to function as a clinical psychologist
- Demonstrate that any dismissal was not done on the basis of the demonstrated disability

Note: Under the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973, all students, with or without disabilities, are entitled to equal access to the programs and activities of Fordham University. If you believe that you have a disabling condition that may interfere with your ability to participate in the activities, coursework, or assessment of the object of this course, you may be entitled to accommodations. Please schedule an appointment to speak with someone at the Office of Disability Services (Rose Hill-O'Hare Hall, Lower Level, x0655 or at Lincoln Center-Room 207, x6282.

# IMPORTANT DEPARTMENTAL RESOURCES

# Google Resources:

- (1) CPDP Student Google Drive: Provides resources and useful information (e.g., our Peer Mentoring Program, grant funding opportunities, video and book resource listings, research timeline information, forms). Note, that this information is periodically updated and we welcome student input. Please notify DCT and our program coordinator if there is information you would like included or updated. **Psychotherapy Referrals**: The CPDP maintains a list of local psychotherapy referrals should students be interested in psychotherapy services located in our CPDP Google Student Folder (Resources subfolder). For your convenience and privacy, a list of psychotherapy referrals, that accept our Fordham student insurance or provide slide scale services, are provided on our CPDP Student Google Drive. For a tailored referral list, please contact DCT or Associate DCT.
- (2) CPDP and Psychology Department Google Calendars: Provide useful information about current and upcoming events. This information is periodically updated and we welcome student input If there is a program-related event that you would like added to calendar/s, please let us know.

# **Faculty Resources**

- (1) For questions about the CPDP overall, concerns or questions about your progress in the program, questions about programmatic milestones (Masters Thesis, Comprehensive Exam, Dissertation, internship), reach out to the Director of Clinical Training, Dr. Amy Roy (aroy3@fordham.edu)
- (2) For questions about the courses offered, selecting courses, and Clinical Topics Seminar, please contact the Associate Director, Dr. David Marcotte (<u>marcotte@fordham.edu</u>)

- (3) For questions about externships (including selection, preparation of applications, interviews, and acceptances) and associated Externship Seminars, and about the Fordham Community Mental Health Clinic (FCMHC), please contact the Clinic Director, Dr. Alex Kriss (<u>akriss1@fordham.edu</u>)
- (4) For questions about graduate assistantships, teaching assignments, and any teaching-related issues, contact the Associate Chair of Psychology, Dr. Molly Zimmerman (<u>mzimmerman7@fordham.edu</u>)
- (5) For student issues within your classes (i.e., course overrides, academic integrity violations), reach out to your teaching supervisor and the Associate Chairs for Undergraduate Studies, Dr. Lindsay Hoyt (RH; lhoyt1@fordham.edu) and Dr. Mark Mattson (LC; mattson@fordham.edu).
- (6) For broader questions about the department, contact the Department Chair, Dr. Peggy Andover (andover@fordham.edu).

#### **Administrative Resources**

- (1) For questions about financial issues, scholarships, DegreeWorks, or Registration, email the Psychology Department Administrator, Maria Barbieri (<u>barbieri@fordham.edu</u>).
- (2) For questions about MA thesis process and procedures, and dissertation meeting scheduling and registration, email the Department Secretary, Maria Merli (<u>mmerli@fordham.edu</u>)
- (3) For questions about Comps procedures, and required letters/forms (i.e., verification letters, letters of readiness/good standing for externship, post doc letters/documentation, matriculation forms, TQVCVL forms), email Nicolemarie McCaroll (nmccarroll@fordham.edu).

#### **IMPORTANT UNIVERSITY RESOURCES**

**Fordham Graduate Student Association (GSA):** The GSA is a student government organization that acts as a liaison between the graduate student body and the GSAS administration. The GSA also coordinates social, academic, and professional events to support graduate student development and foster community across all graduate programs. Information about the GSA can be found at: <a href="https://www.fordham.edu/info/24201/graduate\_student\_association">https://www.fordham.edu/info/24201/graduate\_student\_association</a>

**Fordham Office of the Chief Diversity Officer (CDO):** The Office of the ODO advances Fordham's shared commitment to create and sustain a diverse, inclusive, and just campus community in which all members thrive. Information about the functions of the ODO and diversity, equity, and inclusion at Fordham can be found at: <u>https://www.fordham.edu/info/29198/office\_of\_the\_chief\_diversity\_officer</u>

**Fordham Office of Multicultural Affairs (OMA)**: The OMA provides programs, events, and resources that allow the entire Fordham community to connect to various forms of diversity and inclusion. Information about the OMA can be found at <a href="https://www.fordham.edu/info/20909/about">https://www.fordham.edu/info/20909/about</a> the office of multicultural affairs

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# **IMPORTANT FORMS**

# FORDHAM UNIVERSITY CLINICAL EVALUATION FORM

For Externships and Internships

(Adapted from the Minnesota Supervisory Inventory) Rev. 12.2017 dm

	For Fordham Use Only
	Course: Externship I, II, III, IV, V, VI
Date of Evaluation: Fall: Spi	ring:
Supervisee:	
Supervisor:	
[] Primary Supervisor [] Secondary Superviso	)r
Supervisor Phone # Supervisor Email:	
Training Site:	
Population:	

Primary Psychotherapeutic Orientation of Supervisee: \_\_\_\_\_

**Introduction and Directions:** Supervisors are asked to use the 3-point scale below to rate skills, competencies and conduct observed during the experience by **circling the appropriate rating**. The **NA** response should be used <u>as often as necessary</u> to designate skills or behaviors that were either not applicable or not observed sufficiently so that this form documents areas only in which supervisees had supervised training experiences. Therefore, <u>no</u> supervisee will receive numeric ratings on all items. In addition to the ratings, supervisors are encouraged to provide narrative comments about supervisees' professional development. Additional narrative comments can be appended to this form.

#### Please use the Following Rating Scale:

1	<b>Development Required:</b>	Further training and supervision is required to meet expectations.
2	Meets Expectations:	Functions adequately to above average for level of training.
3	Exceeds Expectations:	Functions exceptionally for level of training.
NA	Not Applicable:	Not Applicable/Not Observed/Cannot Say.

#### **1. ASSESSMENT COMPETENCE**

1. Judgment in selecting assessment approaches	1	2	3	NA
2. Rapport with clients of diverse clinical, age, gender, and cultural groups	1	2	3	NA
a) Effectively uses eye contact, body position, calm demeanor, head nods, etc.	1	2	3	NA
3. Diagnostic interviewing	1	2	3	NA
a) Appropriate use of open-ended and direct questions	1	2	3	NA
b) Speaks at client's level of comprehension	1	2	3	NA
c) Appropriately assesses suicide risk and dangerousness	1	2	3	NA
d) Appropriately assesses alcohol and substance-related disorders	1	2	3	NA
4. a) Personality tests: Administering and/or scoring	1	2	3	NA
b) Interpreting objective personality tests	1	2	3	NA
c) Interpreting projective personality tests	1	2	3	NA
5. a) Intelligence and psychoeducational tests: Administering and/or scoring	1	2	3	NA
b) Interpreting intelligence and psychoeducational tests	1	2	3	NA
6. a) Neuropsychological instruments: Administering and scoring	1	2	3	NA
b) Interpreting neuropsychological instruments	1	2	3	NA
7. Mental status examination	1	2	3	NA
8. Observing and describing behavior	1	2	3	NA
9. Obtaining collateral information	1	2	3	NA
10. Integrating assessment data	1	2	3	NA
11. Awareness of legal issues in assessment (e.g., malpractice, mandatory reporting, commitment, forensics, court testimony)	1	2	3	NA
12. Awareness of and sensitivity to cultural diversity issues in assessment social, systems, and other issues in assessment	1	2	3	NA
13. Awareness of and sensitivity to developmental, physical, pharmacological, social, systems, and other issues in assessment	1	2	3	
14. Diagnosis	1	2	3	NA
15. Understanding of psychiatric nosology (DSM V)	1	2	3	NA
16. Written reports of psychological evaluations	1	2	3	NA
17. Providing feedback to clients and families	1	2	3	NA
18. Providing feedback to other professionals, agencies, schools, etc.	1	2	3	NA
19. Formulating treatment recommendations	1	2	3	NA

20. Understands/can initiate emergency measures (e.g., hospitalization, holds)	1	2	3	NA
21. Clinical judgment in assessment	1	2	3	NA
22. Miscellaneous (specify)	1	2	3	NA
23. Miscellaneous (specify)	1	2	3	NA
Overall Competence in Assessment	1	2	3	

Progress and Comments about Assessment:

#### 2. PSYCHOTHERAPY AND INTERVENTION COMPETENCE

1. Skill and effectiveness as a therapist	1	2	3	NA
2. Rapport with clients	1	2	3	NA
3. Empathy, warmth, and genuineness with clients	1	2	3	NA
4. Support of client	1	2	3	NA
5. Focusing and controlling session	1	2	3	NA
6. Directness, relevance, and succinctness of comments	1	2	3	NA
7. Timing of comments	1	2	3	NA
8. Interpretation	1	2	3	NA
9. Confrontation	1	2	3	NA
10. Treatment formulation and clinical judgment about intervention alternatives, necessity, objectives, strategies, length, and termination	1	2	3	NA
11. Preparation for sessions	1	2	3	NA
12. Assignments, behavioral prescriptions and follow-up on assignments	1	2	3	NA
13. Awareness and/or management of resistive and defensive operations	1	2	3	NA
14. Understanding and management of clients' boundaries	1	2	3	NA
15. Awareness and/or management of transference	1	2	3	NA
16. Awareness and/or management of countertransference	1	2	3	NA
17. Flexibility and/or creative problem solving	1	2	3	NA

<ol> <li>Awareness of and sensitivity to cultural diversity issues in psychotherapy and interventions</li> </ol>	1	2	3	NA
<ol> <li>Awareness of ethical and legal issues in psychotherapy and intervention (e.g., referrals, hospitalizations, contracts with patients/families)</li> </ol>	1	2	3	NA
20. Miscellaneous (specify):	1	2	3	NA
21. Miscellaneous (specify):	1	2	3	NA

#### **Treatment Modalities**

Overall Competence in Psychotherapy and Intervention	1	2	3	
20. Other/Miscellaneous (specify)	1	2	3	NA
19. Other/Miscellaneous (specify)	1	2	3	NA
18. Supportive therapy	1	2	3	NA
17. Sex therapy	1	2	3	NA
16. Relaxation training	1	2	3	NA
15. Psychodynamic therapy	1	2	3	NA
14. Play therapy	1	2	3	NA
13. Milieu therapy	1	2	3	NA
12. Hypnosis	1	2	3	NA
11. Group therapy	1	2	3	NA
10. Family/systems therapy	1	2	3	NA
9. Empirically validated treatment (specify:	1	2	3	NA
8. Eclectic therapy	1	2	3	NA
7. Crisis intervention, knowledge and use of referral sources	1	2	3	NA
6. Cognitive-behavioral therapy	1	2	3	NA
5. Client-centered therapy	1	2	3	NA
4. Case management	1	2	3	NA
3. Brief or Time-Limited therapy	1	2	3	NA
2. Biofeedback	1	2	3	NA
1. Behavior modification	1	2	3	NA

Progress and Comments about Assessment:

## 3. CONSULTATION COMPETENCE

1. Knowledge and handling of consultation role	1	2	3	NA
2. Knowledge of institutional and systems' dynamics and functions	1	2	3	NA
3. Effectiveness as a consultant	1	2	3	NA
4. Timely response to consultation requests	1	2	3	NA
5. Timely provision of oral and written feedback	1	2	3	NA
6. Rapport with treatment team and awareness of other disciplines contributions '	1	2	3	NA
7. Attendance and punctuality at treatment team meetings	1	2	3	NA
8. Participation at treatment team meetings	1	2	3	NA
9. Knowledge of psychopharmacology and appropriate referral for medication	1	2	3	NA
10. Other/Miscellaneous (specify)	1	2	3	NA
Overall Competence in Consultation	1	2	3	NA

Progress and Comments about Consultation:

## 4. PROFESSIONAL, ETHICAL, AND LEGAL CONDUCT

1. Awareness of/adherence to APA Ethical Principles, Code of Conduct, and other Professional Standards	1	2	3	NA
<ol> <li>Awareness of/adherence to legal (e.g., mandatory reporting, commitment, testimony) and regulatory (e.g., Board of Psychology) standards</li> </ol>	1	2	3	NA

3. Maintains and understands when to suspend confidentiality	1	2	3	NA
<ol> <li>Maintenance of records and timeliness of reports, prior authorizations, treatment plans, and treatment summaries</li> </ol>	1	2	3	NA
<ol> <li>Maintenance of expected workload and professionalism in fulfilling clinical responsibilities</li> </ol>	1	2	3	NA
6. Timely response to messages	1	2	3	NA
7. Punctuality for patient contacts and professional meetings	1	2	3	NA
8. Integration of research and practice	1	2	3	NA
9. Understanding and management of professional boundaries with clients	1	2	3	NA
10. Awareness of personal issues in relationships with clients	1	2	3	NA
11. Management of interpersonal stress in relationships with clients	1	2	3	NA
12. Clinical inquisitiveness	1	2	3	NA
13. Maturity	1	2	3	NA
14. Initiative and motivation	1	2	3	NA
15. Appropriate attire and presentation	1	2	3	NA
16. Other/Miscellaneous (specify)	1	2	3	NA
Overall Professional, Ethical, and Legal Conduct	1	2	3	

Progress and Comments about Consultation:

#### 5. SUPERVISION

1. Openness and responsiveness to supervision	1	2	3	NA
2. Cooperation with supervisor	1	2	3	NA
3. Communication with supervisor	1	2	3	NA
4. Preparation for supervision	1	2	3	NA
5. Use of audiovisual aids for supervision	1	2	3	NA
6. Effectively incorporates feedback from supervision into clinical practice	1	2	3	NA
7. Awareness of and/or management of personal issues In relating to supervisor	1	2	3	NA

8. Effectiveness and competence of supervisee as a supervisor	1	2	3	NA
9. Other/Miscellaneous (specify)	1	2	3	NA
Overall Response to Supervision	1	2	3	

Progress and Comments about Supervision:

## 6. PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATION(S) / CASE CONFERENCE(S)

1. Preparation for presentation(s)	1	2	3	NA
2. Organization and quality of presentation(s)	1	2	3	NA
3. Appropriate level of presentation(s)	1	2	3	NA
4. Literature review	1	2	3	NA
5. Integration of research and clinical issues	1	2	3	NA
6. Participation in others' presentations and in professional activities	1	2	3	NA
7. Other/Miscellaneous (specify)	1	2	3	NA
Overall Professional Presentation(s) / Case Conference(s)	1	2	3	

Progress and Comments:	

## 7. SITE-SPECIFIC MATTERS (If any)

1. Specify:	1	2	3	NA
2. Specify:	1	2	3	NA
3. Specify:	1	2	3	NA

4. Specify:	1	2	3	NA
Overall Site Specific	1	2	3	

Site Specific Comments:	

#### 8. DOCUMENTATION OF LIVE SUPERVISION

Standard II.B.3.d from the *Standards on Accreditation* of the American Psychological Association now requires that "practicum evaluation must be based in part on direct observation." According to Section C.14D, this requirement may be satisfied by "in person observation" (in the treatment room or through a one-way mirror), live video stream or video recording. Audio recording alone is insufficient, except in rare situations where it is the only possible way to meet the requirement. When this is the case, the reason needs to be <u>explained on the student's evaluation form</u>. In all cases, the direct observation must be conducted by the student's immediate supervisor.

	in the follow	ing format:			
		ing format.			
(Date)					
In person supervision	Live v	ideo stream	Video recordin	g	
Live supervision was not c	onducted during	this evaluation	period for the followi	ng reason:	
Recommendations for Furthe	r Training/Super	vision:			
Recommendations for Further		//3/011.			
Supervisor's Signature	Date	Supervise	e's Signature	Date Reviewed	
	Print)				

# Externship Training Review Form

1.	Placement/Agency Name:		
2.	Your Name:	rear Hours p	er week:
3.	Name of supervisor(s):		
4.	Setting (specify percentage) Psychiatric hospital - inpatient:		
	Psychiatric hospital – outpatient:		
	Community-based clinic:		
	Forensic:		
	Medical setting (non-psychiatric):		
	College counseling center:		
5.	Time allocation (specify percentage of time): Direct patient contact (assessment/treatment	/etc.):	
	Supervision, didactic seminars, conferences,	etc.:	
	Report/note writing:		
	Other (specify:):		
6.	Does the site/supervisor have a clear theored	ical orientation (if yes, spe	cify:) ?
7.	Assessment Experience Intelligence/achievement	Hours/week	Total # cases
	Personality – Objective		

Personality – Projective		
Neuropsychological		
Forensic		
Other (specify:)		
Total number of reports written:		
8. Treatment experience Individual Therapy	Hours/week	Total # cases
Older adults (65+)		
Adults (18-64)		
Adolescents (13-17)		
Children (< 12)		
Group Therapy		
Adults		
Adolescents		
Family/Couples		
Other Interventions/experience		
Behavioral Medicine/Health-related		
Diagnostic/intake interviews		
Substance abuse		
Forensic		
Case conference presentations		

9. Site ratings (circle choice) Exposure to diverse client populations Poor Fair Good Excellent Exposure to empirically supported treatments Poor Fair Good Excellent Quality of didactic seminars Poor Fair Good Excellent Quality of Clinical Supervision Poor Fair Good Excellent Quality of Overall Clinical Experience Poor Fair Good Excellent

Please explain ANY low ratings (i.e., what was wrong or problematic):

Highlight any particular strengths of the site/experience:

Name:		Date:	
Current address:		Tel:	
Email:			
Year Entered Program:		Number of Years in Program	
Major Area of Study:		(If applicable)	
Timeline for requirements:			
Major Area of Study:			
MA Thesis Title:			
Mentor:		Reader:	
Proposal Submitted	Yes / No	Date (MM/YY):	
Thesis Approved	Yes / No	Date (MM/YY):	
Doctoral Comps Completed	Yes / No	Date (MM/YY):	
Dissertation Title:			
Mentor:	Rea	ders:	
Proposal Completed	Yes / No	Date (MM/YY):	
Progress Report	Yes / No	Date (MM/YY):	
Dissertation Orals	Yes / No	Date (MM/YY):	
Applied for Internship	Yes / No		
On Internship	Yes / No	Date Began:	
		Site:	

# Activity Report – Clinical Psychology (May (Year) through May (Year) (completed electronically)

Anticipated Graduation Date (Year): \_\_\_\_\_

## Accomplishments from May XX through May XX

#### 1. Research Activities and Accomplishments (provide citations in APA style):

- a. Conferences attended (please provide name, date, location and source of funding, if any)
- b. Did you attend more than 10 conferences in this academic year?  $\ensuremath{Y/N}$
- c. Conference presentations (include only those COMPLETED during the calendar year; identify whether Paper or Poster presentations)
- d. During this academic year did you have more than 10 conference presentations?  $\ensuremath{Y/N}$
- e. Manuscripts *submitted, accepted, or published* (provide complete citations; include journal articles, book chapters and any other types of publications). Note status of the manuscript in parentheses (i.e., submitted, accepted, in press, published) at the end of the citation.
- f. During this academic year did you have more than 10 manuscripts that have been submitted, accepted, or published? Y/N
- g. Other research in progress (i.e., projects you are participating in that may lead to future publications or presentations)
- h. List any research grants or funding applied for and/or received (including from Fordham funding, outside research grants, etc.; provide in enumerated list and status of award applied notice pending, not funded, funded)
- During this academic year did you have more than five research grants or funding that you applied/and or received? Y/N

- j. Research Self-Evaluation: Given your year in the program, provide a self-evaluation of your research activities over the past year. In what areas did you experience growth (e.g., formulating research questions/design, conducting research, evaluating, or disseminating research).
- k. Research Priorities for the Upcoming Year: Given your year in the program, what are your research priorities for XX/XX?
- 2. **Clinical Experiences** (list any externships completed or begun during the XX/XX calendar year, including name of site, name of primary supervisor, when you began/finished, and number of hours per week in enumerated list)
  - a. Clinical Training Self-Evaluation: Given your year in the program, provide a self-evaluation of your clinical training activities over the past year. In what areas did you experience growth (e.g., assessment, intervention, consultation, supervision, formulating research questions/design, conducting research, evaluating, or disseminating research).
  - b. Clinical Priorities for the Upcoming Year: Given your year in the program, what are your clinical training priorities for XX/XX?
- 3. **Teaching Experiences:** List courses taught by semester, role [TA, TF], and institution in an enumerated list(e.g. Neuropsychological Assessment Lab, TA, Fordham RH, Fall 2020)
  - a. Teaching Training Self-Evaluation: Given your year in the program, provide a self-evaluation of your teaching training activities over the past year. In what areas did you experience growth (e.g., course development, providing student feedback, engaging teaching supervisors, communication with students)
  - b. Teaching Training Priorities for the Upcoming Year: Given your year in the program, what are your teaching training priorities for XX/XX?
- 4. **Individual and Cultural Diversity** (list any professional activities engaged in during the past year that specifically focused on your ability to conduct professional activities (clinical, research, teaching) with sensitivity to human diversity and communities that embody a variety of cultural and personal background and characteristics. (provide description in an enumerated list)
- 5. **Ethical and Legal Standards** (list any professional activities engaged in during the past year that specifically focused on your ability to recognize and respond to ethical and legal issues encountered in research, clinical training, teaching).

6. Awards, Honors, or other special accomplishments

## 7. **Professional Society Memberships:**

- a. Indicate any positions or official responsibilities within professional organizations (e.g., student representative, etc.) during XX/XX.
- 8. Have you presented a psychological topic to lay or community audience? Yes/No
- 9. **Did you receive an assistantship or other funding from Fordham** during the XX/XX academic year? Yes/No. If yes, indicate what you did in exchange for this assistantship.

**Progress towards completion:** 

Poquiroment	Semester/Year	Grade
Requirement	Completed	Received
PSYC 7121 Clinical Diagnosis		
PSYC 7111 Psychopathology		
PSYC 6210 Psychotherapy Theories		
PSYC 6106 Cognitive Assessment		
PSYC 6119 Personality Assessment I		
PSYC 6830 Research Methodology		
PSYC 6654 Introduction to Statistics		
PSYC 7804 Regression Analysis		
PSYC 6654 Introduction to		
Neuroscience with Lab		
PSYC 5710 Issues in Social		
Psychology		
PSYC 6370 Cognition and Affect		
PSYC 6225 Personality Theories and		
Research		
PSYC 6330 Cognitive Development		
PSYC 6066 History and Systems		
PSYC 6005 Ethics in Psychology		
PSYC 6170 Multicultural Seminar		
PSYC 8015 Child Abuse Identification		
PSYC 7990 Teaching of Psychology		

Please list any Advanced Assessment and/or Intervention courses. Include the course number, semester year/completed, and grade received (if not applicable, please put N/A):

Please list any clinical elective courses. Include the course number, semester year/completed, and grade received (if not applicable, please put N/A):

Please list any courses that you have taken toward your Major Area of Study. Please indicate the course number, semester year/completed, and grade received (if not applicable, please put N/A):

Please list any courses that you have taken at another institution or Fordham College (e.g.; Law School, Grad Ed) please list any transfer courses. Please indicate the course taken, semester year/completed, grade received and if it was a transfer course (if not applicable, please input N/A):

10. Is there anything else the program should know about?

Date Reviewed with Faculty Mentor: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Mentor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## **CTS Thesis Research Presentation Form**

Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Student:\_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Rater:\_\_\_\_\_

**1)** Comprehension & Content: Did the presentation provide an understanding of the background to the research question being addressed and its significance? Did the presentation clearly describe the key results of the research including conclusions and outcomes?

Inadequate	Adequate	Good	Strong	Unusually Strong
1	2	3	4	5

## Comments:

**2)** Engagement and Communication: Did the presentation follow a clear and logical sequence? Did the speaker avoid scientific jargon, explain terminology, and provide adequate background information to illustrate points? Did the presenter spend adequate time on each element of the presentation — or did the presenter elaborate for too long on one aspect or was the presentation rushed? Did the speaker have sufficient stage presence, eye contact, and vocal range; maintain a steady pace; and have a confident stance?

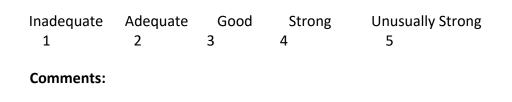
Inadequate	Adequate	Good	Strong	Unusually Strong
1	2	3	4	5
Comments:				

3) Slide format: Did the slides enhance the presentation? Were they clear, legible, and concise?

Inadequate	Adequate	Good	Strong	Unusually Strong
1	2	3	4	5

Comments:

**4) Individual Differences & Multicultural Issues:** Did the presentation include sufficient discussion of diversity and/or multicultural/ sociocultural issues within the context of the research question, assessment methods, interpretation of findings, or future directions? For example, comments related to cross-cultural validity, norm construction/ interpretation, or (constraints on) generalizability of findings.



**5) Ethical Issues:** Did the presentation indicate that the research was conducted in adherence with ethical standards? For example, mention of IRB approval and informed consent/assent procedures or exemption.

Yes No

Comments:

## **Overall Rating**:

Inadequate	Adequate	Good	Strong	Unusually Strong
1	2	3	4	5

Comments:

## **Case Conference Rating Form**

Date:							
Student:	tudent: Faculty Member:						
	formation: Descriptior nal/social history, psyc						
	Unsatisfactory 1	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent	N/A		
Comments:	1	2	3	4			
, ,	Assessment: Choice assessment findings	of assessment tech	nniques, rati	onale for choice,	description		
	<i>Unsatisfactory</i> 1	Satisfactory 2	Good 3	Excellent 4	N/A		
Comments:							
	ualization: Description erential), discussion of			r of diagnosis, ra	tionale for		
	Unsatisfactory 1	Satisfactory 2			N/A		

**Comments:** 

**4) Intervention:** Choice of intervention and rationale for choice (including discussion of evidence base), description of intervention, assesses the effectiveness of their own clinical work, discussion

	Unsatisfactory 1	Satisfactory 2	Good 3	Excellent 4	N/A
Comments:					

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**5) Ethical Issues:** Adherence to ethical standards; protection of confidentiality during case presentation

Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent	N/A
1	2	3	4	

#### Comments:

**6) Individual Differences & Multicultural Issues:** Address cultural diversity and individual differences in terms of assessment, diagnosis, case conceptualization, treatment; relevant psychometric issues (e.g., cross-cultural validity, norms); sociocultural issues (acculturation, language, SES, quality of education, etc.)

Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent	N/A
1	2	3	4	

Comments:

**7) Presentation:** Preparation and organization during presentation, clarity, level of interest generated by presentation, use of audiovisual aids

	Unsatisfactory 1	Satisfactory 2	Good 3	Excellent 4	N/A
Comments:					
8) Overall R	ating:				
	Unsatisfactory 1	Satisfactory 2	Good 3	Excellent 4	N/A
Comments:					

## **CPDP COMPREHENSIVE EXAM GRADING RUBRIC**

An integrative literature reviews synthesize theory and/or empirical literature on a research topic. These literature reviews uniquely contribute to an area of research by evaluating empirical support for a particular theory, identifying gaps in the literature and proposing important avenues for future research, merging different areas of research, or reviewing research methodologies. Committee members should complete this evaluation form online for tabulation.

Student Name:	Program:	Date:
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## WRITTEN PORTION

Please evaluate the quality of the written review/proposal by using the scale below, with 1 indicating the poorest and 5 indicating the highest possible rating. Descriptive anchors are provided to facilitate your rating. Please circle the number that reflects most closely your evaluation. Please return the form to the mentor. Thank you!

Identified key	1	2	3	4	5
theme(s) in the	No coherent		Theme(s) identified and		Theme(s) and subsidiary,
literature	theme identified		clearly stated		embedded, or implicit aspects of
					theme(s) are identified and clearly
					stated.
Identified key gap(s)	1	2	3	4	5
in the literature	No gap(s)		Gap(s) identified and		Gap(s) and subsidiary, embedded,
	identified		clearly stated		or implicit aspects of gap(s) are
					identified and clearly stated.
Considered related	1	2	3	4	5
perspectives	Does not		Acknowledges other		Synthesizes other perspectives and
	acknowledge		possible perspectives,		considers implications
	other possible		although not clearly		
	perspectives		stated		
Considered Issues of	1	2	3	4	5
Research	No consideration		Acknowledges some		Clearly describes strengths and
Methodology (i.e.,	of methodology		methodological strengths		limitations of previous work in
attention to samples,			and weaknesses		terms of methodology
measurement)					
Covered Breadth of	1	2	3	4	5
Literature	No breadth		Good coverage of		Excellent coverage of breadth of
			breadth		literature
Potential for	1	2	3	4	5
publication	Low potential for		Moderate potential for		High potential for publication
•	publication		publication		
Comments:	1		I		1

Relevant	1	2	3	4	5
psychometric issues	Very poor		Acceptable		Exemplary/
(e.g., cross-cultural validity, norms)					Outstanding
Identified	1	2	3	4	5
sociocultural issues regarding topic and/or outcomes (acculturation, language, SES, quality of education, etc.)	Very poor		Acceptable		Exemplary/ Outstanding
Comments:					

Consideration of Ethical Issues					
Identified ethical	1	2	3	4	5
issues related to the	Very poor		Acceptable		Exemplary/
clinical topic being					Outstanding
reviewed					
Address ethical issues	1	2	3	4	5
that pertain to the	Very poor		Acceptable		Exemplary/
underlying research					Outstanding
(e.g., limitations)					
Comments:					

Writing/Format					
Organization	1	2	3	4	5
	Unstructured;		Structured; most		Well-structured; paragraphs are
	most paragraphs		paragraphs are focused;		clearly focused and organized around
	rambling,		discernible beginning		a central theme; clear beginning and
	unfocused; no		and ending paragraphs,		ending paragraphs; appropriate,
	clear beginning or		some appropriate		coherent sequences and sequence
	ending of		sequence markers		markers
	paragraphs;				
	inappropriate or				
	missing sequence				
	markers				
Technical Writing	1	2	3	4	5
Skills (grammar,	Very poor		Acceptable		Exemplary/
spelling, etc.)					Outstanding
Documentation	1	2	3	4	5
	Documentation		Documentation is fairly		Documentation clear, consistent and
	generally		consistent but		complete; standard citation; cited
	inconsistent and		incomplete; general use		information is incorporated
	incomplete; non-		of standard citation;		effectively into document
	standard citation;		citation information is		
	citation		somewhat incorporated		
	information not		into document		

	incorporated into document				
APA Format	1 Very poor	2	3 Acceptable	4	5 Exemplary/ Outstanding
Clarity and	1	2	3	4	5
organization	Very poor		Acceptable		Exemplary/ Outstanding
Level of interest	1	2	3	4	5
generated	Very poor		Acceptable		Exemplary/ Outstanding
mments:					

## **ORAL PRESENTATION**

Please evaluate the quality of the oral presentation by using the scale below, with 1 indicating the poorest and 5 indicating the highest possible rating. Descriptive anchors are provided to facilitate your rating. Please circle the number that reflects most closely your evaluation. Please return the form to the mentor. Thank you!

Presentation was clear and had a coherent theme	1 No coherent theme identified	2	3 Theme(s) identified and clearly stated	4	5 Theme(s) and subsidiary, embedded, or implicit aspects of theme(s) are identified and clearly stated.
Presentation followed a logical format	1 No logical format	2	3 Good logical format, or inconsistent logic	4	5 Logical format was excellent and easy to follow
Presentation included an engaging introduction	1 No introduction or not engaging	2	3 Included an introduction, but was not compelling or engaging	4	5 Engaging Introduction, really captured my interest in the topic
Presenter maintained my interest	1 Presenter did not maintain my interest	2	3 Interest was average or inconsistent	4	5 Presenter maintain my interest from beginning to end
Presentation considered related perspectives	1 Does not acknowledge other possible perspectives	2	3 Acknowledges other possible perspectives, although not clearly stated	4	5 Synthesizes other perspectives and considers implications
Presentation addressed relevant ethical issues	1 No inclusion	2	3 Some inclusion	4	5 Full coverage of issues regarding ethics
Inclusion of diversity	1 No inclusion	2	3 Some inclusion	4	5 Full coverage of issues regarding diversity
Presentation Covered Breadth of Literature	1 No breadth	2	3 Good coverage of breadth	4	5 Excellent coverage of breadth of literature
Presenter Displayed Proper Time Management	1 Presenter did not display proper time	2	3 Presenter displayed some time management	4	5 Presented displayed excellent time management

## Information Disclosure Consent

I realize that the Family and Educational Rights and Privacy Act prohibits release of personally identifiable information from my student education records without my prior written consent. I intend this document to be my consent for the release of the information specified below for the purposes specified below.

I authorize the release of information in writing or by telephone about my

- Academic record and performance, including research participation and research performance;
- Performance in clinical placements, both within the University and outside.

I authorize the release of this information to:

- Training centers and placements, including internship sites to which I have made application
- Potential employers to whom I have made application or inquiry for employment

I authorize the release of this information by any of the faculty of the Clinical Psychology Program.

I understand:

- That upon written notice this consent can be revoked in full or in part.
- That if so requested, I may receive copies of any written records disclosed except for records such as confidential letters of recommendation to which I have waived my access.
- The Program Director or designee shall be informed by faculty of any requests and will be the administrator responsible for coordinating the release of all written records.

PRINT NAME

SIGNATURE

## Clinical Student Handbook and Clinical Psychology Training Program Acceptance Form

I acknowledge receipt of the <u>Clinical Student Handbook</u> at Fordham University. In doing so, I indicate that I am aware that:

- 1. It is my responsibility to be familiar with Program, Department, and University regulations concerning academic integrity, student and faculty responsibilities, and degree and program requirements;
- 2. The American Psychological Association's ethical standards and guidelines for professional activities as well as the law and regulations governing the activities of psychologists in the State of New York are applicable to me; and
- 3. Violations of University, APA, or New York codes, regulations, or law may lead to sanctions including separation from the Program and University.

PRINT NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE