Dear Applicant,
Thank you for your interest in our site. We offer a full-time, 12-month, postdoctoral fellowship in college mental health. Satisfactory completion of the program will meet postdoctoral supervised practice requirements for licensure in the state of New York for fellows who begin the program post-degree. We have compiled information here about our training site, goals and content of the program, program organization, entrance requirements, and deadlines. We are not a current APPIC-member program; however, we work in accordance with APPIC Postdoctoral Selection Guidelines, and we have designed our application process to follow the APPIC recommended deadlines for postdoctoral selection. If you have any questions after reading through the information in these pages, please contact the Assistant Director for Training, Bethany Riddle, Ph.D., by email at bethany.riddle@stonybrook.edu or by phone at 631-632-6720. Thanks for your interest and good luck!

About the University

Stony Brook University is one of the State University of New York's four University Centers. Stony Brook has a population of approximately 25,000 students. CAPS is located on Stony Brook’s West campus where students are enrolled in Baccalaureate, Master’s, Graduate certificate, and Doctoral programs. CAPS has a satellite office on East campus (Health Science Center) where students are enrolled in the following schools: Dental Medicine, Health Technology and Management, Medicine, Nursing, and the School of Social Welfare. The student body at Stony Brook is exceptionally diverse.
With regard to data from Fall 2013, the ethnic distribution of the total student body was recorded as: 38% White, 19% Asian, 15% International, 9% Hispanic, 6% Black, 11% Unknown/Other, and 2% Multiracial. With regard to International student data recorded in Fall 2013, 3757 students originated from 109 countries; the countries with the largest representation were China, South Korea, India, and Taiwan.

About CAPS

The mission of Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) at Stony Brook University (SBU) is to provide psychological and psychiatric services in support of student’s health and well-being as they pursue their academic careers. An interdisciplinary team of licensed and certified mental health professionals provide psychotherapy and psychiatric treatment to the student population as well as immediate help in psychiatric emergencies. We provide individual and group therapy (process group, meditation groups, and groups for students from underrepresented populations). We have a 10-session limit, and we most typically see students for 10 sessions per academic year. Many clinicians have strong backgrounds in relational psychodynamic work, and most of our clinicians work from an integrative perspective. CAPS is committed to affirming and respecting people of all backgrounds. We work with an explicit awareness of the importance of affirming the experiences of LGBTQ-identified students as well as individuals from racially and religiously persecuted groups.

Three administrative support staff members provide clerical support to staff and trainees. Copying, printing and scanning resources are readily available. IT support (for issues regarding computers, printers, and the electronic medical record keeping system) is provided. The university provides typical office software (e.g., Word, Excel, Power Point) and the CAPS electronic scheduling and record keeping system (Medicat) has been programmed with customized templates for clinical contacts. SPSS is provided to staff as needed.

About the population

CAPS at Stony Brook University serves the student body of the university. As is consistent with national data regarding trends in college mental health, SBU students seek mental health services in increasing numbers. Students seek services for a range of issues, including anxiety and depression, substance use issues, reactions to recent or past trauma, eating disorders, and relationship difficulties. Many students come with preexisting mental health issues. As emerging adults, students often grapple with developmental concerns including issues regarding sense of self including sexual and gender identities, and cultural, racial and ethnic identities.

About the Postdoctoral Fellowship

The primary goal of the postdoctoral fellowship at CAPS is to prepare fellows for functioning as independent professional psychologists with specific skills in the treatment of college students in a multicultural setting. In addition to clinical activities, post-docs...
are actively involved in outreach activities and planning. The goal of the postdoctoral program is educational in nature. We are concerned with providing fellows with a range of experiences in the context of a supportive learning environment. Postdoctoral fellows are given increasing amounts of responsibility and autonomy as the year progresses, commensurate with their satisfactory participation in the program.

**Program Organization**

Postdoctoral fellows spend a minimum of 25% of their time in professional psychological services, including the following activities:

- **Intervention** activities including:
  - Intakes
  - Acute crisis management
  - Individual therapy
  - Group therapy
  - Mandated assessments

- **Consultation** activities

- **Outreach** activities

- **Provision of supervision** to a psychology intern in providing group therapy.

Postdoctoral fellows receive two hours per week of individual, face-to-face, on-site supervision with a licensed psychologist for their clinical activities as well as supervision for their outreach activities and group work. Postdoctoral fellows participate in additional learning activities including [Postdoc Seminar](#) and [Outreach Seminar](#). Postdoctoral fellows also attend a weekly [Staff Meeting](#) and a weekly [Clinical Services Meeting](#).

**Stipend, Benefits and Liability Insurance**

Postdoctoral fellows receive a salary of $42,000. Benefits include health insurance, dental and vision plans, 12 annual holidays, 12 sick and 12 vacation days (equivalent to all first-year employees); library, parking, and sports complex privileges, and $250 in conference support. As paid employees, postdocs are covered by the University’s insurance program; nevertheless they are encouraged to carry their own professional liability coverage as well. APA provides malpractice insurance to early career professionals at reasonable rates.

**Required qualifications:**

- Enrollment in an APA/CPA-accredited program in clinical or counseling psychology;
- Completion of an APA/CPA-accredited doctoral internship.

**Preferred qualifications:**

- Completion of all degree requirements prior to the start date of the fellowship;
- Prior experience in a University Counseling Center;
- Prior experience providing outreach to a student population, including planning and development of outreach activities;

**Application Procedures**

The postdoctoral fellowship at CAPS at Stony Brook University participates in APPIC’s University Psychology Postdoctoral Directory (UPPD). Applications are due **January 3, 2017**.

We require:
- Letter of interest
- CV
- Three letters of recommendation

We will notify candidates of interview status in January, aiming to schedule initial Skype interviews for the week of January 23, 2017 and planning for in-person interviews for the weeks of February 13 and February 20, 2017.

We will extend offers to applicants on the APPIC recommended date of **February 27, 2017**.

**Statement of non-discrimination (P102R):**

Consistent with federal and state guidelines, Stony Brook University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, age, ethnicity, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, marital status, or veterans' status in its educational programs or employment. If you are a student or an employee of Stony Brook University and you consider yourself to be a target of discrimination or harassment, you may file a complaint in writing with the Office of Diversity and Affirmative Action. If you choose to file a complaint within the University, you do not lose your right to file with an outside enforcement agency such as the State Division of Human Rights, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, or the Office of Civil Rights. Complaints of suspected violations of these policies should be made to **Marjolie Leonard**, Director for Title IX and Risk Management, 201 Administration Building, Stony Brook, NY 11794-0251. Phone: 631-632-6280; Fax 631-632-9428; E-mail: odar@stonybrook.edu.