

**Major Rotation**

**Disability Support Services**

**(9 hours: 6.0 direct service; 1.0 supervision; 1.0 documentation/case management)**

**Program Description:** This major rotation allows interns to receive experiences embedded Disability Support Services and its related programs.

**Program Requirements:** Interns are expected to work directly with clients referred by the Mississippi State University Disability Support Services office under the direction of the School Psychologist employed by this office. Interns will have the opportunity to gain a greater understanding of the unique needs and appropriate interventions when working with clients from low-incidence backgrounds, specifically Autism and Intellectual Disabilities, as well as students diagnosed with physical, mental, or emotional disorders that impact their education. Additionally, interns will be expected to work collaboratively and consult with staff within this office and other campus partners. Interns will also provide group therapy, psychoeducational workshops, and/or outreach to students associated with this office as directed by the Staff Psychologist. Established groups include a monthly support group for senior students in the ACCESS program (serving students with Intellectual Disabilities), and a bi-weekly support group for students involved in the Autism Liaison program (serving degree-seeking students on the Autism Spectrum). One weekly outreach opportunity includes co-teaching (with the supervisor) a freshman course to build resilience for college success; this opportunity is dependent on the University offering the course. Opportunities for assessment experience may also occur dependent on the needs of clients and the Disability Support Services Office.

The expected breakdown of the total number of weekly hours for this rotation is as follows:

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| Therapy Supervision:           | 1.0 hour         |
| Individual Therapy:            | 4.0 hours        |
| Workshop/Group/Outreach:       | 2.0 hours        |
| Documentation/case management: | <u>2.0 hours</u> |

Total: 9 hours

**Training/Supervision Provided:** Weekly 1 hour of individual supervision with additional consultation available as needed

**Supervisor:** Jordan Spencer, SSP