

**Psychology 453, Human Services: Integrating Theory and Practice
STUDENT APPLICATION FORM: January-April, 2017**

Name: _____ Student Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

_____ (Postal Code)

E-mail: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

What psychology courses have you previously taken (course names or numbers)?

When do you expect to graduate, and what plans or options are you considering for after graduation?

Please describe any work or volunteer experience you have had which might be relevant to your participation in this course:

Please identify names and phone numbers of two people, including at least one UPEI professor or staff person, who could serve as personal references for you:

What half/days of the week, (e.g., Monday morning) can you **not** be available for a placement?

Why do you want to take this course?

Please return the completed form, and a copy of your academic audit, by **Friday, 24 June, 2016** to:

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To some extent priority will be given to those applications received first. Confirmation of placements often cannot be finalized until close to the beginning of the semester. Dr. Smith will be in touch with all applicants as soon as possible about placements, but that might not be until December in some cases. It is best for applicants to have in mind an alternate course in which they could register in the event that they are not able to take Psychology 453. **Students who apply for 453 but then decide that they do not want to take the course are asked to inform Dr. Smith immediately.**

Almost all agencies will require a current criminal record check before starting the placement. (It is not necessary to have the check completed prior to submitting your application.)

The particular roles that students play in placements vary a great deal across agencies, and can vary substantially from year to year within an agency. Some information about the type of roles played by former students is provided with the agency listings which follow.

On the following page is a list of agencies which have recently hosted our students; previous hosting is not a guarantee of hosting in January. Please rank order each in terms of your interest in being placed in the agency, with #1 being your first choice. Please mark an "X" beside any agency which you either (a) are not enthusiastic about being placed with, or (b) couldn't reach because of transportation problems. As you might guess, there is no guarantee that you would be placed in your highly ranked choice.

..... **Group Homes**

The Department of Community Services and Seniors operates group homes in Charlottetown and in Tracadie. The homes provide therapeutic and supportive residential care for children and adolescents at risk, and respite care for adolescents in the care of the Director of Child Welfare. Students placed here would spend time with the residents and staff in unstructured, but supportive, interactions.

..... **Beach Grove Home**

Beach Grove Home is a 132 bed nursing home facility for seniors who do not require acute general hospital care. Students previously placed here have visited/socialized with individual residents, helped with activities of the Recreation Department, and have worked with the Alzheimer Unit.

..... **Canadian Mental Health Association, Fitzroy Centre**

Fitzroy Centre Clubhouse is for individuals who have to deal with long-term mental health challenges and is designed to help members achieve a level of confidence that promotes productive and socially satisfying lives. Students would work with the pre-vocational day program, where members and staff work side-by-side on a daily basis completing all the tasks necessary to operate the club.

..... **Eastern School District**

Students are most often placed with a school resource teacher or counsellor. Students might work within the classroom setting or outside of the classroom doing one-on-one activities with children who would benefit from academic or social/behavioural assistance.

..... **Hillsborough Hospital**

Hillsborough Hospital is the provincial in-patient psychiatric facility, offering treatment and rehabilitation to people who have enduring mental illness, persons who are mentally challenged, and psychogeriatric patients. The hospital also provides day services to former patients. Students previously placed here have taken on roles with the occupational therapy department's group programmes for psychogeriatric patients, have made connections with individual residents throughout the hospital, and have assisted with outings.

..... **Prince Edward Home**

The Prince Edward Home is a 120-bed facility combining long-term care, under-60 care, and restorative/convalescent care. Students typically take part in various social activities organized by the Recreation department.

..... **Sherwood Home**

Sherwood Home is a home for adults who experience substantial developmental challenges. It also provides respite care services for physically disabled children and young adults. Students placed with Sherwood Home in the past have worked with individual residents in the day programme and have assisted with afternoon outings.