### **PRACTICUM PROGRAM**

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY KWANTLEN POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

### Information for Employers/Hosts



### A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO ENGAGE, TRAIN, AND INSPIRE HIGHLY MOTIVATED UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

The goal of the practicum is to enable students to apply their academic knowledge and skills learned in the classroom to a career setting. The practicum component of the Psychology degree program at Kwantlen is designed to introduce students to the workplace, research settings, and possible entry-level jobs after graduation. The practicum will involve students working under the supervision of both the employer/host and a Kwantlen practicum supervisor.

#### **PSYCHOLOGY PRACTICUM BASICS:**

- ✓ A student works 180 200 hours
  - for your organization/institution
- ✓ Time: May-August
- ✓ Part-time or full-time
  - at convenience of the employer/host
- ✓ Unpaid

#### HOW DOES IT WORK?

- An employment contract is signed by the student, practicum supervisor, and the employer/host supervisor
- ✓ Workplace meeting(s) with Kwantlen supervisor during the practicum term
- Student performance evaluation by the employer/host supervisor



# SKILLS AND EXPERITIES STUDENTS BRING TO YOUR ORGANIZATION

- ✓ Research methods/Data analyses/Report writing
- ✓ Program evaluation
- ✓ Organizational behavior/ Human resources/ Marketing
- ✓ Human factors/ Usability of work space
- ✓ Interpersonal relations/
  Communication/Intercultural skills
- ✓ Neuropsychology/Drugs & Behavior
- √ Health/ Sports Psychology
- ✓ Psychopathology
- ✓ Developmental psychology/ Childhood/ Adolescence/ Seniors
- √ Forensic/ Criminology

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## Goal of the Psychology Practicum Program

Young and enthusiastic students working with you to benefit your organization while preparing for own future careers.



YOUR SUPPORT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TO EMBRACE THE NEW GENERATION AND OUR COMMUNITY.

## SOME OF THE PAST PRACTICUM HOSTS

**BC** Housing

BC Recreation & Parks Assoc. Fitness Program

Boston Pizza

Canada Border Services

Canadian Cancer Society

CHIMO Outreach Society

City of Richmond Policy Planning Department

Coast Capital Savings

Correctional Service of Canada

Dental Clinic- Dr. Jeff Coil

Earl's Restaurant

Fairmont Airport Hotel, HR

FedEx Vancouver Airport Operations

Filipino-Canadian Marketing Group

Salvation Army-Gateway of Hope

Ipsos Reid

Kla How Eya Aboriginal Centre

Langley's International Festival Society

Lehigh Northwest Cement Inc.

Life Strategies Inc. (Career development agency)

Lower Mainland Purpose Society for Youth & Families

MAC Realty

Matsqui-Regional Reception & assessment Centre

**OPTIONS Services to Community Society** 

Pepsi Bottling Group

PICS (Progressive InterCultural Community Services)

Riverview Hospital

SFU Health Sciences Continuing Studies

**UBC** Neurology

Vancouver Coastal Health Authority

