The UCSF Child and Adolescent Services Multicultural Clinical Training Program (MCTP) at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital at Trauma Center offers an American Psychological Association-accredited, one-year pediatric clinical psychology internship based on the scholar-practitioner model. Thus, our program is grounded in serving the needs of the local community with a commitment to research that is taught and valued, particularly, though not exclusively, in the service of clinical practice. The internship program is embedded in the Division of Infant Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at Zuckerberg San Francisco General in UCSF’s Department of Psychiatry. Zuckerberg San Francisco General is a level I trauma center and public service hospital committed to serving low-income and diverse ethnic and cultural minority populations, as well as those from marginalized communities. Clinical services are linked to the Community Behavioral Health System of the San Francisco Department of Public Health.

The internship program is designed to train clinical psychologists who are committed to serving children, youth, and families from low-income and diverse ethnic and cultural minority groups. Over the last several years, 89 percent of our graduates have obtained positions in academic health centers or hospital centers providing care to underserved children and families.

The training program provides specialized training and leadership in multicultural psychology and works to break down barriers that patients often encounter in their attempts to access culturally appropriate, high-quality evidence-based care.
Training is intended to provide experience across the entire developmental spectrum of 0-18 years of age and provides specialized training in:

- Multiculturalism
- Trauma and posttraumatic stress disorder
- Pediatric behavioral health
- Behavioral and emotional dysregulation
- Immigrant health
- Primary care behavioral health
- Comprehensive psychological evaluations
- Early childhood developmental evaluations
- Pre-adoptive evaluations
- Eating disorders
- Juvenile justice and behavioral health
- Services delivered in community settings
- Family therapy
- Infant-parent psychotherapy
- Child-parent psychotherapy
- Positive parenting and trauma-informed parenting
- Trauma-focused cognitive behavioral therapy
- Dialectical behavior therapy

Each applicant is evaluated in the following areas:

- Clinical training, including experience in assessment and psychotherapy with children, youth, and families
- Overall excellence as a developing psychologist as shown by breadth and depth of experiences and letters of recommendation
- Demonstrated interest and experience working with underserved and diverse communities
- Demonstrated interest and experience in community mental health
- Demonstrated interest and experience with children, youth, and families impacted by acute, complex, and/or chronic trauma
- Essays that reflect clear theoretical foundations and strong case conceptualization skills
- Progress toward dissertation completion
- Research interest as documented by training obtained and activities completed (presentations, publications, and/or grants)

**Application requirements**

- Doctoral degree program must be APA-accredited in clinical psychology
- Comprehensive exams passed
- Submission of official graduate degree(s) transcripts
- Letter of interest
- Curriculum vitae
- Three letters of recommendation
Preferred criteria

- Dissertation proposal approved and data collection completed prior to the APPIC Rank Order List submission deadline
- Bilingual (Spanish)
- Experience in evidence-based treatment and assessment
- Experience or interest in treatment of trauma in youth
- Significant psychological testing experience
- Relevant experience in multicultural psychology research

How to apply

Our deadline for receipt of applications is November 1, 2018.

The UCSF Child and Adolescent Services Multicultural Clinical Training Program follows the Association of Psychology Postdoctoral and Internship Centers (APPIC) [2] match policies. As part of the APPIC Match, applicants must submit the APPIC Application for Psychology Internship [3] (which requires official transcripts as part of the application process).

*Please note: The APPIC program code for the Child and Adolescent Services doctoral internship application is 1902.*

Internship accreditation

The UCSF Child and Adolescent Services Multicultural Clinical Training Program doctoral internship was accredited by the American Psychological Association (APA) in 2007 and reaccredited by the APA Commission on Accreditation in 2013. The next review is scheduled for 2019. Questions related to the program’s accreditation status should be directed to the Commission on Accreditation:

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Internship admissions, support and initial placement data

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