



Practicum & Internship Training Framework

Paulding County School District provides students with an enriching experience and strong foundation for professional growth. Our School Psychology Training Program was recognized with the Innovative Practices Award from GASP in 2022. Our department received Excellence in School Psychological Services Proficient recognition from NASP in 2023, the only Department in Georgia to have received this distinction.

Our Internship Information and Interview sessions occur yearly in February. Applicants should send a letter of inquiry, resume or CV, and unofficial transcript to mbolling@paulding.k12.ga.us. Interviews will be scheduled for qualified applicants. ***Projected experiences are outlined below, but we are willing to accommodate other program requirements as needed.***

Practicum Students EdS /PhD	EdS Interns	PhD Interns
2/3 days a week Approximately 500 hours Aug- May	5 days / week Approximately 1200 hrs. Aug-May	5 days / week Approximately 1200- 1500 hrs. Aug- Jun
Typical Experiences Assessment (Minimum 8 cases) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Both academic and behavioral cases Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eligibility and IEPs - Parent conferences - Teacher Conferences - MTSS meetings - BESST Meetings Consultation / Intervention <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minimum 1 academic - Minimum 1 behavioral Counseling opportunities available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Check & Connect Mentoring - Group counseling Conduct 1 professional development training Observations in Low Incidence/ special programs	Typical Experiences Assessment (Minimum 16) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minimum 1 low incidence assessment Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eligibility and IEPs - Parent conferences - Teacher Conferences - MTSS meetings - BESST Meetings Consultation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minimum 4 consultations / 2 per semester Counseling opportunities available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Individual counseling - Check & Connect Mentoring - Group counseling Specialty Rotations (Fall and Spring) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - E.g., preschool evaluation, low incidence evaluation, severe behavior disorders, etc. Conduct 1 professional development or parent training Support for student led prevention/ Intervention research project	Typical Experiences Assessment (Minimum 20) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minimum 2 low incidence assessment Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eligibility and IEPs - Parent conferences - Teacher Conferences - MTSS meetings - BESST Meetings Consultation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minimum 4 consultations / 2 per semester Counseling opportunities available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Individual counseling - Check & Connect Mentoring - Group counseling Specialty Rotations (Fall and Spring) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - E.g., preschool evaluation, low incidence evaluation, severe behavior disorders, etc. Conduct 1 professional development or parent training Support for student dissertation/ research project
Professional Development and Training Opportunities Monthly Student Didactic Training & Case Reviews Monthly Psychological Services Department Meetings Participate in district School Psychologists Professional Learning Community activities and training Leave to attend available trainings at respective universities, RESA, GASP, NASP GAPBIS etc.		
Supervision All students are provided individual weekly supervision onsite by EdS or PhD level experienced supervisors. The amount of supervision hours may vary according to student needs. Group Supervision is also provided monthly by PhD district level supervisors (GA Licensed & NCSP)		

How many students can we accommodate? 6 (3 paid full-time interns & 3 practicum students)

We are specifically looking to establish a group/cohort of students to make the learning experience richer and provide opportunities to collaborate and learn from each other. We are also open to students participating in consecutive years. *Interested candidates should contact Dr. Michelle Bolling, Lead Psychologist (mbolling@paulding.k12.ga.us) or Dr. Sam Sabaka, Coordinator (ssabaka@paulding.k12.ga.us) by email or phone 770-443-8030.*

Thanks for your interest and we look forward to working with you to reach your professional goals!