



The Family Partnership  
Counseling Education Advocacy

## Diversity Social Work Advancement Program Internship

The Family Partnership (formerly Family & Children's Service) has been helping families be the best they can be for over 130 years. Last year, more than 24,000 people turned to us for mental health counseling, education and advocacy services aimed at building strong families, vital communities and capable children.

**Program Summary:** Diversity Social Work Advancement Program (DSWAP) trains racially and ethnically diverse second-year MSW students and recent MSW graduates to become mental health professionals. The goals of DSWAP are to increase the number of immigrant, refugee and minority mental health professionals; increase the availability, accessibility and effectiveness of trauma-informed treatment for immigrants, refugees and minorities; and to enhance the cross-cultural knowledge and skills of clinical supervisors.

### **Responsibilities (include but are not limited to):**

- Carry a case load of individual adult clients who are seeking individual or couple therapy
- Conduct diagnostic assessments, develop individualized treatment plans for each of the clients and keep progress of clinical reports on all client interactions.
- Take part in educational seminars and trainings. The intern will also take part in weekly individual supervision, bi-weekly group consultation and clinical multi-disciplinary team meetings (MDT) within the intern's agency location.
- Assist Clinical Supervisor in outreach efforts to refugee, immigrant and communities of color.
- Provide cultural sensitivity training and understanding for colleagues by creating a presentation on intern's culture of origin and its perceptions of mental health.
- Adhere to all the requirements of data privacy under HIPAA and state mandated reporting laws and the NASW Code of Ethics.
- Complete all school assignments on time and other duties assigned by Clinical Supervisor

**Qualifications:** An MSW student entering an advanced practicum at the University of Minnesota, St Catherine/St. Thomas University or Augsburg College. Participants must come from an immigrant, refugee or minority community. A background check is required for this position. Participants must also have transportation with a valid driver's license and auto insurance and be willing to have evening hours to see clients.

**Schedule:** Internship runs from September through May. The intern will spend approximately 16 – 20 hours per week either at an agency's branch or a partnering community-based organization. We offer a flexible schedule and ask for a minimum of 16 hours per week for the entire academic year.

**Benefits:** Pave the way for mental health services in under-served communities. Gain experience providing therapeutic services to clients. Attend free educational seminars and trainings provided under the DSWAP Grant. Receive academic credit and qualified clinical supervision, if applicable. Mileage and parking reimbursement available. A monthly stipend is also provided to students currently enrolled in a qualifying MSW program. The Family Partnership is committed to providing a friendly, supportive, professional experience for its interns.

*For more information about the DSWAP program, please contact:*

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