

**Analysis of MSCP School Counseling Practicum/Internship
Orientation Evaluation 2014**

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The annual School Counseling Practicum/Internship Orientation was held on Thursday, March 6, 2014 in Clarence T.C. Ching Hall, Room 253. There were 10 evaluation forms collected from the 11 School Counseling candidates in attendance, one left early without completing the evaluation. Two School Counseling candidates did not attend the orientation and those two candidates met with the School Counseling Internship Director individually at a later date. The candidates were asked to rate each item on a 1 to 5 Likert scale. The Likert scale was as follows: 5 = Strongly Agree; 4 = Agree; 3 = Uncertain; 2 = Disagree; and 1 = Strongly Disagree. The following are the results from an item analysis completed on all 10 evaluations.

- 1. Practicum/Internship orientation was presented in an informative and clear manner.** Ten candidates answered this item. All 10 candidates either agreed or strongly agreed. Eight candidates (80%) rated it 5 and two candidates (20%) rated it 4 (M = 4.8, SD = 0.42).
- 2. Important points were clearly explained during Practicum/Internship orientation.** Ten candidates answered this item. All 10 candidates either agreed or strongly agreed. Eight candidates (80%) rated it 5 and two candidates (20%) rated it 4 (M = 4.8, SD = 0.42).
- 3. The number of hours required for Practicum and Internship was clearly stated during orientation.** Ten candidates answered this item. All 10 candidates either agreed or strongly agreed. Nine candidates (90%) rated it 5 and one candidate (10%) rated it 4 (M = 4.9, SD = 0.32).
- 4. What constitutes administrative hours and direct service hours for Practicum/Internship was clearly stated during orientation.** Ten candidates answered this item. All 10 candidates either agreed or strongly agreed. Nine candidates (90%) rated it 5 and one candidate (10%) rated it 4 (M = 4.9, SD = 0.32).
- 5. I had the opportunity to ask questions during the Practicum/Internship orientation.** Ten candidates answered this item. All 10 candidates either agreed or strongly agreed. Nine candidates (90%) rated it 5 and one candidate (10%) rated it 4 (M = 4.9, SD = 0.32).
- 6. The process of contacting the Practicum/Internship Director to arrange placement sites was clearly explained during the Practicum/Internship orientation.** Ten candidates answered this item. All 10 candidates either agreed or strongly agreed. Nine candidates (90%) rated it 5 and one candidate (10%) rated it 4 (M = 4.9, SD = 0.32).
- 7. The requirement of obtaining and submitting valid contracts and insurance prior to starting Practicum/Internship was clearly explained.** Ten candidates answered this item. All 10 candidates either agreed or strongly agreed. Six candidates (60%) rated it 5 and four candidates (40%) rated it 4 (M = 4.6, SD = 0.52).

- 8. The requirement of notifying the Practicum/Internship Director of any problems obtaining an appropriate number of administrative and/or direct hours at my sites was clearly explained during the Practicum/Internship orientation.** Ten candidates answered this item. All 10 candidates either agreed or strongly agreed. Eight candidates (80%) rated it 5 and two candidates (20%) rated it 4 ($M = 4.8$, $SD = 0.42$).
- 9. I understand the role of the Clinical Director.** Ten candidates answered this item. All 10 candidates either agreed or strongly agreed. Seven candidates (70%) rated it 5 and three candidates (30%) rated it 4 ($M = 4.7$, $SD = 0.48$).
- 10. I understand the role of the Practicum/Internship Director.** Ten candidates answered this item. All 10 candidates either agreed or strongly agreed. Eight candidates (80%) rated it 5 and two candidates (20%) rated it 4 ($M = 4.8$, $SD = 0.42$).
- 11. I understand the role of the Practicum/Internship course instructor.** Ten candidates answered this item. All 10 candidates either agreed or strongly agreed. Seven candidates (70%) rated it 5 and three candidates (30%) rated it 4 ($M = 4.7$, $SD = 0.48$).
- 12. I understand the role of the Practicum/Internship Site Supervisor.** Ten candidates answered this item. All 10 candidates either agreed or strongly agreed. Nine candidates (90%) rated it 5 and one candidate (10%) rated it 4 ($M = 4.9$, $SD = 0.32$).
- 13. Overall, I would rate the MSCP Practicum/Internship orientation as (5 = Excellent; 4 = Good; 3 = Average; 2 = Below Average; and 1 = Poor).** Ten candidates answered this item. Eight candidates (80%) rated it 5 and two candidates (20%) rated it 4 ($M = 4.8$, $SD = 0.42$).

Analysis:

One hundred percent of candidates who completed the evaluation perceived the orientation as being either good or excellent. This perception was consistent throughout the item analysis. The question pertaining to clearly understanding the requirement of obtaining and submitting valid contracts and insurance prior to starting Practicum/Internship had the lowest mean score (4.6).

The action plan for the 2015 School Counseling Practicum/Internship Orientation is to allocate additional time in the area of obtaining contracts/agreements and insurance. We will continue to have the Clinical Director and Internship Director present at the orientation; two candidates commented that it was helpful to have all roles represented for better understanding and cohesiveness of the volume of information presented. It will also be mentioned that more in-depth, one-on-one discussions can occur during the individual candidate meetings with the Internship Director; one candidate commented that the time allotted seemed short for the volume of information presented. Overall, there were no responses of “uncertain,” “disagree,” or “strongly disagree,” so I believe that the format of the orientation has an overall efficient design.



Practicum/Internship Orientation Evaluation 2014

1. Practicum/Internship orientation was presented in an informative and clear manner.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Uncertain Agree Strongly Agree

1 2 3 4 5

2. Important points were clearly explained during Practicum/Internship orientation.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Uncertain Agree Strongly Agree

1 2 3 4 5

3. The number of hours required for Practicum and Internship was clearly stated during orientation.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Uncertain Agree Strongly Agree

1 2 3 4 5

4. What constitutes administrative hours and direct service hours for Practicum/Internship was clearly stated during orientation.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Uncertain Agree Strongly Agree

1 2 3 4 5

5. I had the opportunity to ask questions during the Practicum/Internship orientation.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Uncertain Agree Strongly Agree

1 2 3 4 5

6. The process of contacting the Practicum/Internship Director to arrange placement sites was clearly explained during the Practicum/Internship orientation.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Uncertain Agree Strongly Agree

1 2 3 4 5

7. The requirement of obtaining and submitting valid contracts and insurance prior to starting Practicum/Internship was clearly explained.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Uncertain Agree Strongly Agree

1 2 3 4 5

8. The requirement of notifying the Practicum/Internship Director of any problems obtaining an appropriate number of administrative and/or direct hours at my sites was clearly explained during the Practicum/Internship orientation.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Uncertain	Agree	Strongly Agree

1	2	3	4	5

9. I understand the role of the Clinical Director.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Uncertain	Agree	Strongly Agree

1	2	3	4	5

10. I understand the role of the Practicum/Internship Director.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Uncertain	Agree	Strongly Agree

1	2	3	4	5

11. I understand the role of the Practicum/Internship course instructor.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Uncertain	Agree	Strongly Agree

1	2	3	4	5

12. I understand the role of the Practicum/Internship Site Supervisor.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Uncertain	Agree	Strongly Agree

1	2	3	4	5

13. Overall, I would rate the MSCP Practicum/Internship orientation as:

Poor	Below Average	Average	Good	Excellent

1	2	3	4	5

14. Strengths of the MSCP Practicum/Internship orientation: _____

15. Improvements needed in the MSCP Practicum/Internship orientation: _____

16. Overall comments regarding the MSCP Practicum/Internship orientation: _____

