

**Analysis of MSCP School Counseling Practicum/Internship  
Orientation Evaluation 2012**

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The annual School Counseling Practicum/Internship Orientation was held on Monday, March 12, 2012 in Henry Hall room 109. There were 23 evaluation forms collected from the 23 School Counseling candidates in attendance. 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 23 evaluations.

- 1. Practicum/Internship orientation was presented in an informative and clear manner.** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.74, SD = .45. Twenty-three candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 5.
- 2. Important points were clearly explained during Practicum/Internship orientation.** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.65, SD = .49. Twenty-three candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 5.
- 3. The number of hours required for Practicum and Internship was clearly stated during orientation.** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.83, SD = .39. Twenty-three candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 5.
- 4. What constitutes administrative hours and direct service hours for Practicum/Internship was clearly stated during orientation.** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.83, SD = .39. Twenty-three candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 5.
- 5. I had the opportunity to ask questions during the Practicum/Internship orientation.** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.83, SD = .39. Twenty-three candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 5.
- 6. The process of contacting the Practicum/Internship Director to arrange placement sites was clearly explained during the Practicum/Internship orientation.** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.70, SD = .47. Twenty-three candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 5.
- 7. The requirement of obtaining and submitting valid contracts and insurance prior to starting Practicum/Internship was clearly explained.** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.74, SD = .45. Twenty-three candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 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.** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.87, SD = .34. Twenty-three candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 5.

- 9. I understand the role of the Clinical Director.** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.52, SD = .73. Twenty candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 5.
- 10. I understand the role of the Practicum/Internship Director.** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.70, SD = .63. Twenty-one candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 5.
- 11. I understand the role of the Practicum/Internship course instructor.** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.74, SD = .45. Twenty-three candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 5.
- 12. I understand the role of the Practicum/Internship Site Supervisor.** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.70, SD = .56. Twenty-two candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 5.
- 13. Overall, I would rate the MSCP Practicum/Internship orientation as (5 = Excellent; 4 = Good; 3 = Average; 2 = Below Average; and 1 = Poor).** A total of 23 candidates answered this item. The average response was 4.87, SD = .34. Twenty-three candidates rated this item as either a 4 or 5.

#### **Analysis:**

One hundred percent of attendees perceived the orientation as being either good or excellent. This perception was consistent throughout the item analysis. The questions pertaining to understanding the role of the Clinical Director, Practicum/Internship Director, and Site Supervisor had the lowest mean scores (4.52, 4.70, and 4.70 respectfully). These three items were the only ones that had “uncertain” responses.

The action plan for the 2013 School Counseling Practicum/Internship Orientation is to allocate additional time to discuss the roles of the Clinical Director, Practicum/Internship Director, and the Site Supervisor. Although there are dedicated slides for each role, facilitating a deeper conversation in how each of these positions are designed to support them throughout the clinical-phase of the MSCP program will be helpful and should address the uncertainty of these three items.



## Practicum/Internship Orientation Evaluation 2012

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

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Uncertain      Agree      Strongly Agree

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1                      2                      3                      4                      5

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

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Uncertain      Agree      Strongly Agree

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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

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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

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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

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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

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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

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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

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1                      2                      3                      4                      5

9. I understand the role of the Clinical Director.

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Uncertain      Agree      Strongly Agree

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1                      2                      3                      4                      5

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

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Uncertain      Agree      Strongly Agree

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1                      2                      3                      4                      5

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

Strongly Disagree      Disagree      Uncertain      Agree      Strongly Agree

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1                      2                      3                      4                      5

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

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Uncertain	Agree	Strongly Agree
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1	2	3	4	5

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

Poor	Below Average	Average	Good	Excellent
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1	2	3	4	5

14. Strengths of the MSCP Practicum/Internship orientation: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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