

Clinical and Forensic Psychology Postdoctoral Fellowships



Professional Clinical & Forensic Services *Family Violence & Sexual Assault Institute dba Institute on Violence, Abuse & Trauma (IVAT)*



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POSITION: The Institute on Violence, Abuse, and Trauma (IVAT) in San Diego, CA has openings for full-time Post-doctoral Fellows in Clinical and Forensic Psychology with an emphasis in Forensics. The fellowship positions are currently open until filled. **PSLF eligible.**

DESCRIPTION: The Family Violence and Sexual Assault Institute (FVSAI) dba Institute on Violence, Abuse and Trauma (IVAT) invites applications for a Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Forensic and Clinical Psychology field. The goal of the program is to develop the next generation of leaders and innovators in the field of trauma focused forensic and clinical psychology. The fellowship includes advanced forensic and clinical training, education, and applied research, with opportunities for specialization in treating trauma, research participation, and publishing.

The fellows will be responsible for taking the lead on various forensic cases, especially involving civil, criminal, family and juvenile matters, usually with family violence or trauma issues. They will also manage forensic consulting projects, including reviewing and summarizing court records and conducting literature research. The fellows are responsible for contacting and working with attorneys to set up interviews and evaluations, and will help conduct forensic evaluations to address a variety of referral questions. The fellows will also assist in the informal supervision and leadership of practicum and intern trainees. The fellows will act as a Case Manager, including overseeing client and associate invoices, supervisors' schedules, and client appointments. The fellows will also provide consultation within the community regarding issues of family violence victims and offenders, psychological trauma, sexual assault, and children exposed to violence.

Additionally, the fellows will carry a small clinical caseload providing therapy to selected clients who are most often victims of trauma and will provide trauma-related training to organizations and community partners. Fellows have the flexibility to curate their caseloads based on their clinical interests and specialty, which may include individual, couple, child, and family modalities with clients from diverse cultural backgrounds. Fellows receive 3 hours of weekly group supervision and at least 1 hour of weekly individual supervision by a licensed psychologist.

Training activities also include weekly didactics in clinical and forensic psychology as well as consultation and other supervision with staff and associates on an as needed basis. Receiving excellent, advanced, supervised clinical training is at the heart of the IVAT postdoctoral fellowship. There are additional opportunities for grant writing, research, and publishing. Fellows may also have the chance to collaborate with the IVAT Professional Training and Summits Department to help plan and manage trainings designed for certification programs, as well as engage in opportunities to develop and conduct program evaluations for local or national agencies.

SETTING: The Institute on Violence, Abuse and Trauma (IVAT) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that condemns violence and oppression in all its forms. We stand with all who work for equality and peace. IVAT is a leading international resource, research, direct services, publications, and training center, founded in 1984 as FVSAI and now headquartered in **San Diego, California** with satellite offices in Hawai'i and Maryland. IVAT is a one-stop shop to address and end violence and abuse, and the trauma that is produced. We host 2 international summits annually, edit 3 academic peer reviewed international journals, maintain several research databases, provide program evaluation, consultation, and a wide array of trainings addressing violence, abuse and trauma-- many of which can be used toward specialty certificates and continuing education. We offer vital professional clinical and forensic services to San Diego County and beyond. We believe collaboration across systems is key to putting an end to violence and abuse.

BENEFITS: The current annual stipend is \$40,000, and includes benefits. Health insurance is available for family or single at a reasonable rate. Vacation, sick leave, and professional leave are standard. The fellows will have access to IVAT training, continuing education, and summit resources at no cost. Relevant supervised professional experience will be applicable toward hours for licensure in California. Support and guidance for EPPP and CPLEE support will be integrated into fellowship supervision programming. IVAT is a qualified site for **Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF)**.

QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates should hold a doctorate degree in forensic psychology, clinical psychology, or a related discipline. Also, candidates should possess 2-3 years of experience in these fields. Experience, including training in forensic psychology, psychological testing, and clinical psychology are required, and it is very helpful to also have experience with child custody, psychological, and other forensic evaluations. Strong candidates will show evidence of excellence in communication, team collaboration, assessment, writing skills, reasoning, problem-solving, and leadership. Research and clinical experience in violence, abuse, and trauma fields are also preferred. Although this fellowship will be one year, the possibilities of renewal or continued work at the Institute are possible and desired. Due to the nature of the work, candidates cannot have a criminal background as they will undergo a background check before employment.

APPLICATIONS:

1. IVAT is an equal opportunity employer. Review of applications begins immediately and will continue until the position is filled.
2. Applicants from diverse backgrounds with interest in IVAT's mission of social justice and public health, and upholding diversity, equity, and inclusion of all are encouraged to apply. Individuals with Spanish language proficiency are also encouraged to apply.
3. Completed applications can be sent now to Jessica Silsby, PsyD, Director of Clinical Training, at Jessicas@ivatcenters.org. Application materials include:
 1. Cover letter and CV
 2. Graduate transcript (informal or formal)
 3. Sample evaluation report or writing sample deidentified
 4. Two letters of recommendation
 5. Date when available to start if accepted

For more information about IVAT, see www.ivatcenters.org

Anti-discrimination Policy: IVAT prohibits discrimination in employment and in its educational programs and activities, including admission or access thereto, on the basis of race, national origin, color, creed, religion, sex, age, marital status, disability, medical condition, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identify or associational preference. IVAT is an Equal Opportunity Employer. IVAT will conduct its programs, service and activities consistent with applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and orders.