

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY

The Clinical Psychology Program is a 95-credit program leading to a Doctor of Psychology (PsyD) degree in Clinical Psychology. The primary goal of the program is to educate and prepare students for careers as Health Service Psychologists. The program follows the Practitioner-Scholar Model of the National Council of Schools and Programs in Professional Psychology and meets the requirements for licensure in New York. Our program in Clinical Psychology offers students education, training, supervision and clinical experiences in evidence-based forms of psychological assessment and treatment.

The full-time, on campus Psy.D. program in Clinical Psychology requires a minimum of four full-time academic years of in-person graduate education and a one-year doctoral internship or residency before graduation. With our comprehensive training in the evaluation and treatment of children, adolescents, adults, and the geriatric population, graduates will be prepared to work in traditional mental health settings such as community mental health clinics and private practice; and with healthcare professionals, such as physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and nutritionists in healthcare teams and settings.

Students may choose electives within the Health Psychology Emphasis or the Child and Family Emphasis. Our program will prepare graduate students to serve individuals with diverse ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds with sensitivity to the needs of individuals of historically marginalized groups (e.g. sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, and immigration status).

Specific objectives of the program include the training of clinical psychologists to:

- deliver effective diagnostic and therapeutic services to diverse populations of clients
- apply the biological, psychological and sociological bases of human functioning to the provision of effective quality patient services
- exercise leadership both in the healthcare delivery system and in the training of healthcare and mental health professionals
- provide behavioral health services while working as part of an integrated team with other health care professionals