UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

STUDENT COUNSELING SERVICES- Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention and Services (RSVP)
Formerly known as Center for Women and Men
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OPEN TO ADVANCED PRACTICUM TRAINING DEPENDING UPON AGENCY NEEDS FOR NEXT YEAR.

LEVEL: Advanced Practicum (23 hours per week)

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NATURE OF AGENCY / POPULATION SERVED

The USC Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention and Services (RSVP) is part of the larger USC Student Counseling Services (SCS). RSVP specifically provides therapeutic and prevention services related to sexual and gender-based harm (e.g., childhood sexual abuse, domestic violence, sexual assault). Students presenting for services are very diverse.

DIRECT / INDIRECT SERVICES

Direct services may include: intake assessments, individual, case management, advocacy (e.g., Title IX meetings, connection to resources), outreach and consultation to the campus community. Group co-facilitation may be available dependent on center needs and clinical demand. Indirect services include writing intake reports, other note keeping, and program development.

THEORETICAL ORIENTATION

RSVP staff members ascribe to various theoretical orientations; however, clinicians generally provide a trauma-informed approach to therapy services regardless of therapeutic orientation.

SUPERVISION AND TRAINING

Practicum students will have two hours of individual supervision per week. One hour of individual supervision is provided by a licensed, clinical staff psychologist. The second hour is provided by a RSVP staff member (MFT or LCSW).
Additionally, practicum students participate in 1.5 hours of group supervision/per week, provided by a licensed senior staff member at RSVP. Practicum students are required to participate in two hours of “professional development” training per week. In professional development trainings, guest speakers and/or SCS/RSVP staff cover a variety of topics.

**LENGTH OF TRAINING**

The training will begin in mid-August with a one-week orientation (from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.). In addition to the full week, the orientation period includes an additional three full days (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and two abbreviated days (8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.); the additional orientation days will occur within the first three weeks training commences. The training program ends in mid-May.

**VACATION AND HOLIDAYS**

Vacation and holidays coincide with the USC university holidays schedule; this includes winter recess (a one week university closure in December between Christmas and New Year Holidays). In addition to university holidays and closures, practicum students are allotted 5 days for vacation, illness, or professional development.

**STIPEND**

There is no stipend available. However, parking at the USC Parking Center will be paid for by Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention and Services.

**REQUIRED DAYS**

Monday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. is required for meetings and group supervision. Friday 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. is required for Professional Development seminars.

There is flexibility on the other days for prac students but students must be on-site 23 hours/week.

**DISABILITY ACCESS**

USC will make reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals with known disabilities unless doing so would result in an undue hardship. Further information is available from Human Resources Administration at uschr@usc.edu or (213) 821-8111.
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION & APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Previous clinical experience is required for applicants to this site. After receiving approval from the Division of Professional Field Training to apply, please submit a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, three letters of reference (with at least one from a former clinical supervisor), and an unofficial or official transcript.

Students can be considered for a position at USC Student Counseling Services and both USC Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention and Services. Please indicate on your application if you would like to be considered for both positions or solely SCS or RSVP.

Deadline for application is Friday, February 24, 2017 at 5 p.m. PST. You may email to Dr. Ekta Kumar, Psy.D. (Director at RSVP) (ekumar@usc.edu) AND RSVP at eshcrsvp@usc.edu

By mid-March, via email and/or phone, applicants will be notified if they have been selected for interviews. During March, hour-long interviews are conducted with the Practicum Coordinator and one or two members of our senior staff. On April 11, 2016 applicants invited to the training program will be notified via phone.