UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN
COUNSELING CENTER

PRE-PROFESSIONAL GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP

Position Title:
Pre-professional Graduate Assistant (PGA) for the Counseling Center with an emphasis on the Eating Disorders/Disturbance Program

Type of Position:
25 to 33% graduate assistantship, nine months, beginning August 16, 2024. This position is a pre-professional graduate assistantship (PGA) geared for students in Clinical Psychology, Community Health, Counseling Psychology, Educational Policy Organization and Leadership, Educational Psychology, Medical Scholars, Nutritional Sciences, Psychology, Social Work, Special Education, Speech and Hearing Sciences, or other approved academic programs that would meet qualifications for a pre-professional experience.

Description:
This PGA will provide general counseling center outreach and prevention programming. The PGA will also provide assistance with general counseling center operational needs. The Counseling Center Eating Disorders/Disturbance Outreach and Prevention Team coordinates the Counseling Center’s efforts around eating disorders, eating issues, and body image concerns. The PGA will support the team with development and administration of programming for students who experience eating and body image struggles, by supervising Counseling Center undergraduate paraprofessionals in the creation and delivery of programs, and participate in program development and delivery for the campus-wide eating disorders awareness week.

Duties:
• Conduct general outreach and prevention programming for the Counseling Center.
• Provide regular assistance to general counseling center operational demands.
• Design and implement a workshop series.
• Respond to requests for general outreach programming as well as EDD related workshops.
• Attend interdisciplinary team meetings when applicable.
• Supervise undergraduate Counseling Center paraprofessionals.
• Attend weekly supervision.
• Help coordinate activities during Eating Disorders Awareness Week.
• Assist with the Illinois Body Project: Sorority Body Image Program.
• Participate in supervision of Counseling Center Paraprofessionals (CCPs) in outreach roles and skill building workshops.
• Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Graduate student in Clinical Psychology, Community Health, Counseling Psychology, Educational Policy Organization and Leadership, Educational Psychology, Medical Scholars, Nutritional Sciences, Psychology, Social Work, Special Education, Speech and Hearing Sciences, or other approved academic programs that would meet qualifications for a pre-professional experience. Experience with designing and implementing skill building workshops and working with groups is desirable. Preference will be given to applicants with knowledge of the literature on eating disorders and body image and understanding of the dynamics of disordered eating behaviors. Qualified candidates will also have an interest in, understanding of multicultural, and diversity issues relating to eating disorders and body image. Availability during the Counseling Center’s business hours (Monday, Tuesday, and Friday 8 am to 5 pm; Wednesday and Thursday 8 am to 7 pm). Must also be flexible to work some evenings and weekends.

Compensation:
Commensurate with current university policies on graduate student stipends and fee waivers. All applicants will be required to fill out a FAFSA form to assess eligibility for Federal Work Study Assistantships.

Application Procedure:
Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. To apply for the position please complete the form found at https://forms.illinois.edu/sec/702301541.
If you have any questions regarding the application process, please email Mary Barker, Human Resources Associate, mdietz@illinois.edu