Doctoral Internships
Program in Pediatric Psychology and Neuropsychology

Part of the APA-approved University of Tennessee Professional Psychology Internship Consortium in Memphis, TN
Department of Psychology:  

- The Department of Psychology conducts approximately 1,200 psychological/neuropsychological assessments and 500 initial consults each year, with ongoing psychological care provided to many of these patients.  
- The Psychology Clinic consists of 15 doctoral level psychologists, 6 doctoral level neuropsychologists, 6 master’s level psychological examiners, and 8 postdoctoral fellows.  
- Interns will be assigned a primary supervisor but will have the opportunity to be supervised by multiple attending psychologists.  
- Interns will work on interdisciplinary teams and consult with medical providers, rehabilitation therapists, school personnel, social workers, child life specialists, and other health-care providers. Participation in medical, psychosocial, and psychology rounds is available. Participation in trainee didactics for pediatric psychology and pediatric neuropsychology trainees is available.

Consortium:  

- 3 rotation periods of approximately 16 weeks each  
- Rotations split into major (up to 24 hours per week) and minor (up to 12 hours per week) affiliations  
- Time set aside for seminars, supervision, staff meetings, and additional selected learning experiences (e.g., workshops)  
- Applicants accepted from clinical, counseling, school, and neuropsychology programs  
- Preference to applicants from APA-approved graduate programs  
- Most of the Consortium agencies are located within what is known as the Medical Center  
- St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital  
- LeBonheur Children’s Hospital  
- University-affiliated Center for Developmental Disabilities  
- University of Tennessee Health Science Center  
- Memphis VA Medical Center  
- Regional One Health  
- Other related health service and education agencies  
- The training program is planned with each intern, with the recommendations of their Training Director taken into account, and is reviewed quarterly during the year and modified appropriately  
- Internship is APA-approved and extends for one calendar year

Pediatric Psychology Track:  

- The pediatric psychology track through the Department of Psychology at St. Jude will serve as two major rotations of the consortium (8 months of the training year) and as a minor rotation during the 3rd period.  
- Training is available in neuropsychological assessment, consultation, and intervention with children, adolescents, and young adults with catastrophic illnesses including cancer, sickle cell disease, other hematologic disorders, and HIV/AIDS.

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  - comprehensive neuropsychological assessment  
  - school re-entry and Individualized Education Program (IEP) Planning  
  - opportunities for hybrid research-clinical add-on in early childhood clinic  
  - serial neurocognitive assessment for at-risk populations  
  - brief bedside assessment for inpatients for recovery monitoring  
  - brief therapeutic interventions and cognitive remediation  
  - opportunities for research add-on

Pediatric Neuropsychology Track:  

- The pediatric neuropsychology track through the Department of Psychology at St. Jude will serve as two major rotations of the consortium (8 months of the training year) and as a minor rotation during the 3rd period.  
- Training is available in consultation and intervention with infants, children, adolescents, and young adults with catastrophic illnesses, including cancer, sickle cell disease, other hematologic disorders, and HIV/AIDS.

Clinical training opportunities include, but are not limited to:  

- inpatient and outpatient consultation/liaison  
- inpatient/outpatient individual and family therapy  
- opportunities for hybrid research-clinical add-on in early childhood clinic  
- non-pharmacological pain management interventions  
- health and behavior assessment and intervention  
- procedural distress intervention and pill swallowing training  
- opportunities for research add-on

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Pediatric psychology and neuropsychology fellowships are also available. Additional information regarding the Fellowship Training Programs in Psychology and the application process are available online at:

www.stjude.org/pedpsych

Rotations in Pediatric Psychology and Pediatric Neuropsychology may be available to general track interns as part of the Consortium rotation schedule.