

Department of Rehabilitation Psychology & Neuropsychology Burke Rehabilitation Hospital 785 Mamaroneck Avenue White Plains, NY 10605



## NEUROPSYCHOLOGY EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Department of Rehabilitation Psychology and Neuropsychology at Burke Rehabilitation Hospital is offering an adult externship in clinical neuropsychology (1 slot) and adult rehabilitation psychology (2 slots) for the 2024-2025 training year (August – June). Burke, a member of the Montefiore Health System, provides acute inpatient rehabilitation services in our 150-bed hospital and comprehensive outpatient care through our Burke-Montefiore Physicians Practice and rehabilitation therapy service.

**Track Description**: The **neuropsychology track** provides externs with intensive training in neuropsychological assessment in an outpatient rehabilitation setting. The outpatient neuropsychology service provides assessment services to adults aged 18 and older. Referrals come internally from our inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation medicine providers, as well as from community providers including neurology, geriatrics, and primary care. As such, the extern can expect to receive broad exposure to varied neurologic, medically complex, and psychiatric populations. Stroke, traumatic brain injury, dementia, movement disorders, and other medical conditions with CNS involvement (i.e., brain tumor, infection, and cancer) are particularly represented among our referrals.

**Training**: The extern will receive extensive training in administration and scoring of neuropsychological assessments, integration and interpretation of test data, report writing, and written and verbal communication of results to patients, families, and referring providers. Supervision is provided individually by Jamie Twaite, Ph.D. (Primary, Neuropsychology Program Training Coordinator), Tehila Eilam-Stock, Ph.D., Julieanne Shulman, Psy.D. (Program Director), and Elizabet Santana, Psy.D. Opportunities for supervised evaluation of monolingual Spanish speaking patients are available for qualified bilingual (Spanish/English) externs. Externs are also able to participate in neuropsychology and rehabilitation psychology-focused didactics and case conferences, as well as inpatient team rounds (TBI, stroke, and mixed neurologic/spinal cord injury units) and grand rounds.

Additional Opportunities: For the interested extern, ideally with prior neuropsychological assessment and psychotherapy experience, additional training opportunities are available on our inpatient consult service and our outpatient concussion clinic and rehabilitation psychology practice. These include bedside mental status evaluations, inpatient neuropsychological assessments, psychological intakes, and brief psychotherapy with our neurologically and medically complex patients. Students are also able to observe rehabilitation therapists and physicians to further understanding of multidisciplinary rehabilitation care. Students interested in a broader rehabilitation psychology experience that includes exposure to neuropsychological assessment are encouraged to apply to our *adult rehabilitation track* (see our listing on the <a href="https://nynjadot.apa.org/">https://nynjadot.apa.org/</a> website for details).

Current enrollment as a doctoral student in a Clinical Psychology or Clinical Neuropsychology program is required. Prior coursework in neuropsychology and neuropsychological testing experience is greatly preferred. A commitment of at least 2 days (16 hours) per week is required.

To apply to the Clinical Neuropsychology Externship, access the APA Externship Directory (<u>https://psychpracticum.apa.org/</u>), select Burke Rehabilitation Hospital, and upload the following:

- 1. Cover letter (please specify the Neuropsychology track & direct to Dr. Twaite)
- 2. Curriculum Vitae
- 3. Summary of relevant graduate neuroscience/neuropsychology coursework & list of psychological/neuropsychological tests previously administered
- 4. Work Sample (ideally a de-identified comprehensive neuropsychological report)
- 5. Two letters of recommendation
- 6. Letter from DCT attesting to good standing in program/readiness for externship training