

AMBERTON UNIVERSITY

MATERIALS NEEDED BY COUNSELING PRACTICUM APPLICANTS

INSTRUCTIONS:

An applicant for a counseling practicum should review all the materials attached each session.

APPLICATION FOR COUNSELING PRACTICUM (Two Copies)

Both copies (Amberton University Copy & Facility Copy) must be completed and submitted to the Practicum Professor by the student each session. Once approved by the Practicum Professor, the student will return the Facility Copy to the Supervisor.

Students are strongly discouraged from completing a practicum at a site that advertises them on their website or any other social media platform. Please be aware that Amberton University does not endorse this practice. Students that engage in this practice could be found guilty of practicing without a license which is both an ethical violation and a potential criminal offense. Please refer to your Program Handbook for more information.

FACILITY SUPERVISOR'S REQUIREMENTS & EVALUATION FORMS

Must be provided to Facility Supervisor each session.

STUDENT'S EVALUATION OF A PRACTICUM

Should be submitted to course Professor at end of practicum.

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE AFFILIATION AGREEMENT (Two Copies)

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Policy # _____ Effective Dates of Coverage: _____ / _____
From To

FIELD SUPERVISOR AGREEMENT

Practicum Site: _____

Physical Address: _____

Years Practicum Site Open: _____ Licensed Counselors on Staff: _____

Website: _____

Field Supervisor: _____ Phone: _____

Field Supervisor Email: _____

The above named student has been accepted for (check one)

_____ CSL6840 Practicum I _____ CSL6845 Practicum II _____ CSL6850 Practicum III

to begin _____ and end _____
Date Date

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As the Field Supervisor, I understand and accept the responsibilities of the practicum supervisor and agree to supervise the above named student. The Facility also agrees to not advertise the practicum student on its website, social media or any other platform.

Field Supervisor/Representative Signature Date

STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RELEASE

I certify that the information provided within this application is correct. I authorize the practicum site field supervisor and/or representative to release any and all information concerning me and/or my performance to Amberton University.

Student Name (Printed) Student Signature Date

Application Approved: YES () NO ()

Practicum Professor Signature Date

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FIELD SUPERVISOR REQUIREMENTS & EVALUATION FORMS

To be provided to the Field Supervisor

Licensed Professional Counselor Practicum Supervisor

Must have one or more of the following credentials:

- (a) a Licensed Professional Counselor (L.P.C.) in the state of Texas or another state
- (b) a Licensed Marriage & Family Counselor (L.M.F.T.) in the state of Texas or another state
- (c) a Licensed Psychologist in the state of Texas or another state
- (d) a Licensed Psychiatrist in the state of Texas or another state
- (e) a Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor in the state of Texas or another state
- (f) a Licensed Master Social Worker (L.M.S.W.) in the state of Texas or another state

All Practicum supervisors and/or any exceptions to the above qualifications must be approved by the Practicum Professor.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUPERVISORS

The student has a right to expect the Field Supervisor to:

1. be qualified to supervise and provide adequate supervision
2. state the purposes and nature of supervision
3. promote competency for supervisees
4. meet with the supervisee on a regular basis to give ongoing evaluation and feedback (A minimum of a one-hour supervision meeting weekly with the supervisee)
5. oversee all cases and the records involved with each case
6. provide guidance and instruction in using various models of therapy
7. provide guidance regarding ethical issues and the appropriate reporting procedures
 - a. threat of harm to self or others
 - b. dual relationship issues
 - c. sexual issues
 - d. fee issues of the agency

- e. child/elder/sexual abuse issues
 - f. other
8. provide guidance and instruction regarding legal issues
 - a. the L.P.C. code of ethics
 - b. the A.C.A. code of ethics
 - c. record keeping of all sessions as required by law
 - d. the Texas L.P.C. Board rules and regulations
 9. provide the establishment of a supportive environment for the supervisory relationship
 10. demonstrate a sensitivity to the supervisee's personal and professional needs that affect counseling
 11. negotiate a mutual agreement with the counselor regarding training and supervision needed
 12. explain to the supervisee the supervisor's style of supervision
 13. relate to the counselor in the various roles of
 - a. Teacher
 - b. Consultant
 - c. Evaluator
 14. provide an explanation of all forms to be used by the counselor
 - a. Intake form
 - b. Discharge Planning form
 - c. Multiaxial Diagnosis form
 - d. other
 15. utilize appropriate supervisory interventions, such as
 - a. role-playing
 - b. role-reversal
 - c. live supervision
 - d. video and/or audio taped sessions
 16. assist the supervisee in developing knowledge and skills necessary to work with clients from ethnically and culturally diverse populations
 17. assist the supervisee in recognizing his/her personal limitations to protect the welfare of the clients being seen by the supervisee
 18. maintain the confidentiality of clients

Each student will submit the following official documentation at the end of the session:

- The Practicum Counseling Log
- The Facility Supervisor's Evaluation of the Student
- Student's Evaluation of a Practicum

AMBERTON UNIVERSITY FIELD SUPERVISOR EVALUATION

One "Field Supervisor Evaluation" for each student is required for each Practicum. Individual field supervisors may choose to provide students with interim formative evaluations if they desire.

Serious consideration is given to the official Field Supervisor's Evaluation (signed, dated, and submitted to the Practicum Professor through the individual student at the end of the session) by the Professor in determining the final grade.

Student Counselor: _____

Practicum Facility: _____

Counseling Practicum: CSL6840 I _____ CSL6845 II _____ CSL6850 III _____

Dates of Practicum _____ to _____ Total Hours _____

Total Hours In Classroom: _____

Total Hours of Direct Client Contact: _____

Briefly describe the counseling experience including the types of settings, kinds of clients, and counseling methods used.

Please rate the student on each item from zero (0) to ten (10) with ten being the highest rating. Circle the appropriate choice.

Please use this rating form to provide the student with information which he/she can use to design and carry out specific learning objectives.

In each instance where a rating of 9 or 10 is given, support with illustration documentation. We strongly encourage you to provide comments which support your rating for each item.

Rather than using the form for "giving a grade" our objective is to use this as an opportunity to assist the student in self assessment and in personal and professional growth.

The Student:

1. demonstrates high level of awareness of current ethical/legal environment, adheres to sound ethical principles in personal and professional decision making.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

COMMENTS:

2. comes on site thoroughly prepared to carry out assigned responsibilities.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

COMMENTS:

3. demonstrates a learning attitude (willingness to learn from feedback and evidence of participation in continuing education) vs. defensive arguments for own position.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

COMMENTS:

4. assumes responsibility for own learning (self directed; i.e., seeks supervision as needed).

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

COMMENTS:

5. consistently contributes above and beyond the organization's or supervisor's basic expectations (characterized as eager, alert, hungry, proactive to learn and to provide excellent client services and team work).

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

COMMENTS:

6. demonstrates the ability to work according to the organization's policies and procedures.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

COMMENTS:

7. presents exemplary oral and written communications. (focused, accurate, powerful, free of error)

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

COMMENTS:

8. uses counseling approaches which are effective for the assigned client population
(includes awareness of culturally diverse groups).

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

COMMENTS:

9. integrates counseling theories with practice in a consistent, coherent, and therapeutic fashion.
(instead of general, vague, superficial descriptions of clients and treatment, presents in depth,
comprehensive, detailed, logical rationale for treatment.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

COMMENTS:

10. demonstrates an awareness of self and of available networks in utilizing resources.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

COMMENTS:

Please check one of the following:

- _____ 1. Satisfied the practicum experience.
- _____ 2. Remain in this practicum for further practice/study.
- _____ 3. Discontinue practicum experience until progress has been made with regard to identified issues/problems.

Please provide a narrative evaluation of the student's performance.

Field Supervisor

Date

Student Counselor

Date

**AMBERTON UNIVERSITY
STUDENT'S EVALUATION OF A PRACTICUM**

Practicum evaluated: () CSL6840 Practicum I
 () CSL6845 Practicum II
 () CSL6850 Practicum III

Student: _____ Date: _____

Practicum Site: _____

Primary supervisor at practicum site: _____

Please make specific comments regarding the quality of supervision received.

1. Do you feel that your workload was adequate? () Yes () No
If no, please explain. _____

2. Evaluate the field supervisor's accessibility to you during the practicum.
_____ High _____ Moderate _____ Low

3. Estimate the professional growth you experienced as a result of the practicum.
_____ High _____ Moderate _____ Low

4. Do you recommend Amberton University continue to use this Facility as a training site?
(If no, elaborate on your reason on the back of this page).

Answer: _____

**AMBERTON UNIVERSITY
PRACTICUM EXPERIENCE AFFILIATION AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT, effective _____, 20____, is between _____
_____ (“Facility”) with its principal office located
at _____, and Amberton University (“Amberton”), a non-
profit corporation, having its principal office at 13601 LBJ Fwy Drive, Garland, Texas 75041.

WHEREAS, Amberton operates facilities located at 13601 LBJ Fwy in the City of Garland, State of Texas, and therein provides educational services;

WHEREAS, Amberton provides academic courses with respect to and periodically desires to provide students in such courses with educational experience by utilizing appropriate facilities and personnel of third parties (“Program”); and

WHEREAS, Amberton desires to cooperate with Facility to establish and implement from time to time one or more Programs involving the students and personnel of Amberton and the facilities and personnel of Facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises herein, Amberton and Facility agree that any Program established and implemented by Amberton and Facility during the term of this Agreement shall be covered by and subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. **Program Agreement:** To become effective, all agreements with respect to a Program (“Program Agreement”) shall be reduced to writing, executed by authorized representatives of Amberton and Facility.
2. **Conflict:** In the event of conflict between the text of Program Agreement and the text of this Agreement, this Agreement shall govern.
3. **Amendment of Program Agreement:** No amendment to a Program Agreement shall be effective unless reduced to writing, executed by the authorized representatives of Amberton and Facility.
4. **Responsibility of Facility:** Except for acts to be performed by Amberton pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement, Facility will furnish the premises, supervision, services, and all other items necessary for the educational experience specified in the Program Agreement. In connection with such Program, Facility will:
 - a. Comply with all applicable federal, state, and municipal laws ordinances, rules, and regulations; comely with all applicable requirements of any accreditation authority; and certify such compliance upon request by Amberton;

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- b. Permit the authority responsible for accreditation of Amberton’s curriculum to inspect the facilities, services, and other items provided by Facility for purposes of the educational experience; and
 - c. Refrain, or limit, advertising of Practicum students on facility websites and social media. If Practicum students are advertised, a clear statement must be present identifying the individuals as Practicum students and not licensed counselors.
 - d. Appoint a person to serve for Facility as supervisor (“Facility Supervisor”) who will enforce the following procedure:
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 - d. Inform student that s/he is required to comply with the rules and regulations of Facility while on premises of Facility and is required to comply with the requirements of federal and state laws and regulations regarding the confidentiality of information in records maintained by Facility;

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- e. Require student(s) assigned to Facility to have appropriate malpractice liability insurance coverage and require student(s) to show evidence of such coverage if requested. Amberton does not provide any insurance coverage to students, including medical, professional liability, and worker's compensation insurance. It is the responsible of the Practicum student to understand and adhere to the Facility's insurance requirements at the student's own expense;
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