

Navy Clinical Psychology



Postdoctoral Fellowship In Clinical Psychology
Navy Medical Center, Portsmouth, VA





Position Information

- All fellowship positions are full-time.
- Position includes health and dental benefits for yourself & dependents, Thrift Savings Plan, Life Insurance, and access to commissaries and other military facilities.
- Total Compensation (Fiscal Year 2020): Approx. \$75, 000 per year (pay and allowances).

Important Dates

- Deadline for application: 4 January 2021
- Officer Development School start date: 29 August 2021
- Officer Development School graduation date: 1 October 2021
- Fellowship start date: 4 October 2021

The Navy Psychology Postdoctoral Fellowship is located at the Navy Medical Center in Portsmouth, Virginia. The fellowship consists of an intensive 12-month period of clinical, didactic, and leadership training. It provides the foundation for practice within the military mental health system, but it is also sufficiently broad to prepare fellows for advanced practice in diverse, non-military clinical settings. Furthermore, this program prepares fellows for licensure as a psychologist in the state of their choosing, and it is conducive to attaining Board Certification in Clinical Psychology. This fellowship is accredited by the American Psychological Association (APA).

Requirements:

1. Applicants must have completed an APA-accredited doctoral program in clinical or counseling psychology, as well as an APA-accredited doctoral internship.
2. Selectees must complete all requirements for their doctoral degree (including dissertation and doctoral internship) before attending the 5-week Officer Development School (ODS) in Newport, Rhode Island.
3. U.S. Citizenship is required.
4. Applicants must be less than 42-years-old at the time of commissioning.
5. Applicants must meet medical, weight, and security clearance criteria for appointment as a commissioned Naval Officer.
6. The fellowship program gives careful consideration to all available information about each applicant, and selects fellows on a competitive basis without regard to race, sex, sexual orientation, religion, creed, color, or national origin.
7. Competitive applicants should have experience with a clinically broad range of adult patients. Experience in neuropsychology, health psychology, and child psychology is welcome, but should not have been the focus of graduate school training.



Aims of the Fellowship

1. To provide “generalist” clinicians with advanced skills in a broad array of clinical competencies.
2. To provide exposure to the practice of clinical psychology in operational settings.
3. To prepare fellows to be “clinical leaders,” with the ability to evaluate programs, develop new programs, provide supervision, and serve as effective leaders in clinical and operational settings.
4. To provide comprehensive education and training on diversity issues, which is vital for military psychologists.



APPLICATION PROCESS

Interested students must contact a Navy Medical Programs Officer Recruiter, who will assist you in determining your eligibility for the fellowship program. Applicants should initiate contact with a recruiter by October of 2020.

To locate the Recruiter nearest you, go to <http://www.navy.com/careers/healthcare/>. Click on “Find a Recruiter” at the bottom of the page. Type in your zip code, then click on “Officer Recruiter.” You can also contact the National Training Director for Navy Clinical Psychology, Dr. John Ralph, at john.a.ralph.civ@mail.mil, or by phone at 301-295-2476.

In addition to the items required to determine one’s eligibility for commissioning in the Navy, applicants must submit the following documents via their recruiter:

- Resume/CV
- Doctoral Program Transcript
- Three letters of recommendation from doctoral-level psychologists familiar with your clinical competency
- Letters of Good Standing from your internship training director and doctoral program Director of Clinical Training

In-person interviews (video interviews if necessary) will be conducted at NMC Portsmouth in January of 2021.

Helpful links:

Navy Psychology Accessions Page (Postdoc):

<https://tricare.mil/mtf/WalterReed/About-Us/Navy-Psychology-Training/Post-Doctoral-Fellowship>

Navy Recruiting Web Site:

<https://www.navy.com/careers/clinical-psychology>

Navy Psychology Recruiting Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/navypsychologyrecruitment/>

Officer Development School:

<http://www.ocs.navy.mil/ods.asp>



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