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Supervised Independent Fieldwork Experience Overview & Requirements

Who can apply?

Applicants for the Supervised Independent Fieldwork Experience at JumpStart Autism Center (JAC) must be actively pursuing certification by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board (BACB) to become a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) or Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst (BCaBA). Applicants may or may not be current JAC employees, however, current JAC employees will be prioritized for our limited supervised experience slots.

What are the pre-requisites?

As per BACB requirements, applicants must have started their first graduate-level course to meet the BACB coursework requirements prior to starting the Supervised Independent Fieldwork Experience. Prior experience in an intensive clinical setting is not required, but preferred.

Current JAC employees will be required to re-pass the Behavioral Interventionist Evaluation prior to completing the BACB-required supervision contract and accruing supervised experience hours.

Individuals not currently employed with JAC will be required to complete the New Behavioral Interventionist Training sequence and pass the Behavioral Interventionist Evaluation prior to completing the BACB-required supervision contract and starting the supervised experience at JAC.

What will the Supervised Independent Fieldwork Experience entail?

JAC's Supervised Independent Fieldwork Experience will meet or exceed the BACB's experience standards and requirements. Supervisees will be supervised by one of JAC's Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBA) at least once every 2 weeks for at least 5% of the accrued experience hours. Supervisees will be expected to directly implement behavior analytic interventions, participate in individual and group supervision meetings, and acquire new behavior analytic skills in various areas outlined on the BACB Fourth Edition Task List, including but not limited to:

- Collecting, graphing, and analyzing data
- Developing plans for data collection
- Conducting functional behavior assessments
- Conducting the VB-MAPP and/or ABLLS-R
- Developing individual treatment goals for skill acquisition and behavior reduction based on assessment data
- Synthesis of behavior analytic concepts and principles to develop and apply individual behavior intervention plans and skill acquisition programs

- Training Behavioral Interventionists, teachers, parents, and other community providers
- Development and implementation of Precision Teaching and Direct Instruction-based program
- Ethical considerations

During the supervised experience, the supervisees will also gain experience working with various clients diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorders, ages 18 months to 13 years, across a range of settings (e.g. center, home, school, community).

How many hours of Supervised Independent Fieldwork Experience can I accrue?

Supervisees will be expected to commit to at least 15 hours per week (not including direct supervision hours with their BCBA supervisor), but can accrue up to 30 hours per week of Supervised Independent Fieldwork Experience. Fifty percent of the experience hours will involve direct implementation of behavioral interventions by the supervisee, while the other 50% of the supervised experience will involve supervisor-assigned, indirect, behavior analytic activities.

How do I apply?

Complete the attached application form and submit the completed form, along with your resume and a cover letter addressing your qualifications and interests, to info@jumpstartaba.com. Application deadlines and supervised experience rotations are listed on the application form. Applicants will be expected to complete an observation and interview at JAC as part of the application process.