



**PRACTICUM AGREEMENT
BETWEEN CHABOT COLLEGE GENERAL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT
AND
CRISIS SUPPORT SERVICES OF ALAMEDA COUNTY**

This Practicum Agreement is entered into by Chabot College General Counseling Department and Crisis Support Services of Alameda County. The terms of this agreement shall begin January 3, 2022 and will end on June 30, 2023.

This agreement sets forth the responsibilities of both organizations in practicum placements for Chabot College students.

BACKGROUND

Chabot College is a dynamic, student-centered community college that serves the educational, career, job skill, and personal development needs of our community. We provide culturally responsive, revitalizing, and sustaining learning and support services driven by a goal of equity. Building upon students' strengths and voices, we empower students to achieve their goals and lead us towards an equitable and sustainable world. Chabot College offers an Associate in Arts degree for transfer in Social Work and Human Services that is specifically designed as a degree pathway to majors deemed "similar" at California State University campuses. This degree can support entry level positions with local community-based organizations, county, or state service centers. Chabot College is committed to cultivating partnerships with mental health and human services organizations in Alameda County that would provide practicum placement sites for students to gain work experience and exposure to the field.

PURPOSE

Founded in 1966, Crisis Support Services of Alameda County (CSS) offers a broad range of counseling, education and prevention services in a safe environment. CSS' 24-hour crisis hotline responds to more than 65,000 calls each year. Services include on-going therapy groups, school-based counseling, supportive services for seniors, suicide prevention for youth, and community education. CSS recognizes and understands the impact of trauma including the challenge of accessing supportive services. Their mission is to provide a welcoming and safe environment, rooted in the belief that through collaboration with clients at every stage of service healing is possible.

CSS will serve as a practicum host site for Chabot College students with both parties agreeing to a scope of work that is appropriate and supports the advancement of students' trajectory in their academic program. A CSS internship is an opportunity for students to explore a career in Behavioral Health and gain hands-on experience working at a community-based organization in Alameda County. This internship will focus mainly on community education and social media, developing presentations for community members & Chabot College students, creating content to be used for social media networks, and participate in trainings related to suicide prevention.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF CSS:

1. Provide a learning experience that entails a commitment to service compatible with the values of Chabot College
2. Provide a qualified field supervisor to student. The Community Education Intern will receive 45 minutes of individual supervision weekly, attend staff and team meetings every other week and participate in a post-internship evaluation. Supervision will have an emphasis on providing support and feedback on projects for completion and offer mentorship regarding the mental health and suicide prevention field.
3. Make available suitable desk space, telephones, word processing facilities, supplies, and other materials as needed. This provision may be waived under exceptional circumstances such as a remote practicum placement.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHABOT COLLEGE:

1. Ensure that students complete the Chabot College Peer Guide Training Program.
2. Ensure that students are enrolled in PSCN 85 during the Spring 2022 semester at Chabot College.
3. Screen, select, and place students appropriately in the field practicum that best aligns with their skills, interests, and academic and career trajectory.

CONTACT INFORMATION

All notices, requests, demands and other communications hereunder should be delivered personally or sent by mail addressed to each of the parties at their last known address. Notice should be deemed effective upon receipt.

Addresses for purpose of giving notice are as follows:

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