

Training Skills

PSY 381 training will cover topics such as:

- Strengths based client centered interventions
- Empathy Skills
- Listening Skills
- Structural Inequalities
- Oppression
- Ethics
- Values clarification
- Internship Preparation
- And much more...

Past Internship Placements

Eve Inc., Lansing, MI

Angel House, Mason, MI

Hannah's House, East Lansing, MI

Allen Neighborhood Center, Lansing MI

CBI Rehab Services, Lansing, MI

American Red Cross, Lansing, MI

Starfish Family Services, Inkster, MI

Common Ground-The Sanctuary, Royal Oak, MI

Gateway Community Services, East Lansing, MI

South Oakland Shelter, Lathrup Village, MI

And many more....

NOTICE

PSY 382 is a web-based course through Virtual University. Your internship site will be very demanding. We do not encourage students to take additional summer courses. If you feel that you need to take a summer course, please see a PSY advisor.

APPLICATIONS FOR THIS COURSE ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE THROUGH THE PSY UNDERGRADUATE WEBSITE

For more information contact:

Lindsay Spitzley at spitzlin@msu.edu
or

Sarah Handspike at meadsara@msu.edu
(517) 353-0753

Department of Psychology

100 Psychology Building
East Lansing, MI 48824

Phone: 517-353-7271

Fax: 517-355-5139

Website: <http://psychology.msu.edu>

Department of Psychology

**Human Services Internship Program
PSY 381-382**

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Information for Prospective Students

Department of Psychology

100 Psychology Building
East Lansing, MI 48824

Phone: 517-353-7271

Fax: 517-355-5139

Website: psychology.msu.edu

What is PSY 381-382?

Purpose of the Course:

This course is designed for the student planning for a career working directly with people in need. It teaches you how to effectively help people in direct-service situations, whether through non-profit organizations (eg., homeless shelters, domestic abuse programs, refugee services, foster care services) or government jobs (eg., child protective services, welfare offices).



Prerequisites

Because of the nature of this course and the responsibility needed for course completion, applicants will be considered once they have completed a minimum of 30 credits, and have good academic standing. Completion of Introductory to Psychology (PSY 101) and a minimum of 9 credits in Psychology.

Course Format

The class uses lectures, discussions, guest speakers, videos, homework, in-class assignments, and tests to enhance your understanding of the material. Attendance is extremely important and will be strictly enforced. This course is a **two semester commitment** and students must agree to sign up for both semesters in order to be allowed into the course.

Spring Semester (381)

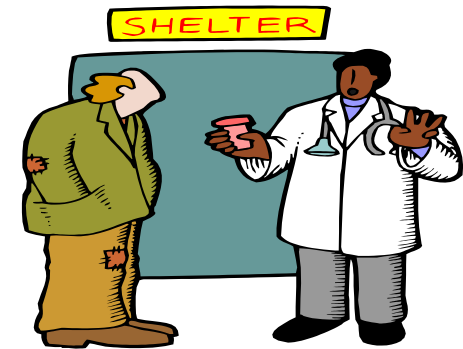
The first semester, PSY 381 (3 credits), students will:

1. Learn various theories that explain human behavior within the larger social context
2. Examine a variety of social problems from an ecological perspective
3. Learn about strengths-based, client-centered service delivery
4. Learn how to secure an internship for summer semester

Only one absence is allowed during PSY 381 to ensure full internship participation.

Full Summer Semester (382)

By the end of the first semester, students will be required to locate a “human service community placement” where they will work 18-36 hours per week over the summer, depending on the number of credits they take in PSY 382 (minimum 6, maximum 12 credits). Students can work anywhere in the world since PSY 382 is an online course.



Credits and Grading

PSY 382 is a “variable credit” web based course, with students taking a minimum of 6 and a maximum of 12 credits. In addition to working three hours per week per credit hour at their placement, all students will receive ongoing supervision to ensure they are using the knowledge and practicing the skills they learn their first semester. Students will be required to complete written assignments and to communicate with the instructor and their classmates through D2L. Students receive grades for PSY 381, which are held until their completion of PSY 382. PSY 382 is pass-fail.

Note:

Students must complete PSY 382 to receive a grade in PSY 381. Students who fail PSY 381 will not be able to continue on for the internship in PSY 382.