

**Psychosocial Oncology MA Internship and PhD-Level Practicum Placements**  
**Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist**  
**Psychosocial Oncology & Cancer Patient Support Programs**

*The psychosocial oncology and cancer patient support program (CPSP) is an integrated behavioral health program within the AHWFB Comprehensive Cancer Center and staffed with a team of MA and PhD level practitioners including licensed clinical mental health counselors and licensed clinical social workers. CPSP staff work among an interdisciplinary medical team to provide quality and evidenced-based psychosocial oncology care for individuals with cancer and their caregivers, contribute to psychosocial oncology research, and manage educational programs in an academic medical setting.*

**Overview:** Our placements span two semesters and provide opportunities for advanced graduate students in training seeking clinical and research experience in the fields of counseling, psychology, and psychosocial oncology. Students gain experience working in an academic medical setting, enhance application of clinical skills while supporting individuals with cancer and their caregivers during inpatient and outpatient treatments, collaborating with a multidisciplinary medical team, and contributing to psychosocial oncology research development and education.

**Supervision:** Clinical supervision provides rotations on the following services: Leukemia; Stem Cell Transplant; Surgical Oncology; Solid Tumor / Gynecology Oncology; Head and Neck Oncology; Medical ICU; Rapid Response; Outpatient Oncology Clinic, and Telehealth Groups.

**Clinical and scholarly responsibilities:**

- I. Inpatient
  - a. Introduce CPSP services to patients and assess needs
  - b. Co-facilitate inpatient consults
  - c. Assist with follow up support for patients
  - d. Co-facilitate inpatient groups
  - e. Collaborate with interdisciplinary medical team
  - f. Document patient encounters in the electronic medical record
- II. Outpatient
  - a. Assist with new patient referrals and triage
  - b. Manage outpatient caseload
  - c. Perform in-person and telehealth activities
  - d. Conduct comprehensive clinical assessments and treatment planning
  - e. Participate in conducting psychological assessments for stem cell transplant recipients
  - f. Complete suicide / risk assessments
  - g. Document patient encounters in the electronic medical record
- III. Group Work

- a. Co-facilitate support groups.
- IV. Participation in monthly staff meetings and clinical discussions
- V. Participation in clinical research activities, including creation of presentation materials
- VI. Co-facilitate educational presentations for medical providers and community partners
- VII. Engagement in hospital provided continuing education activities

**Hours:** We seek a minimum of 3 days on site averaging 20-24 hours per week during student learning placements and are flexible with school / work schedules for students to maximize access to patient care opportunities and important meetings.

### **Equal Employment Opportunity**

It is the policy of Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist to administer all educational and employment activities without discrimination because of race, sex, age, religion, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or veteran status (except where sex is a bona fide occupational qualification or a statutory requirement) in accordance with all local, state, national laws, executive orders, regulations, and guidelines.

### **CPSP Dates and Deadlines for Applying for PhD-Level Practicum and MA Internship**

#### **2026 Fall Placement**

Application: January 26 – March 6, 2026

Interviews: March 9 – April 3, 2026

Offers: April 10, 2026

#### **2027 Spring Placement**

Application: June 1 – July 10, 2026

Interviews: July 13 – August 7, 2026

Offers: August 14, 2026

Minimally, an intern must commit to two semesters. On a case-by-case basis, as determined by CPSP administration, exceptions to these deadlines will be considered.

**To Apply:** Submit a single PDF containing your Personal Statement and Resume, and two professional/academic references to our Internship Coordinator Erica Fox, MA, LCMHC-QS, ACS, NCC, ATR-BC at [efox@wakehealth.edu](mailto:efox@wakehealth.edu).