Locations

There are 2 Veterans' Administration sites where you can do your internship:

- Salem, Virginia (near Roanoke)
- Mountain Home, Tennessee (near Abingdon)

While the internship may lead to an offer of employment at the Veterans' Administration, you are not obligated to work there after completing your internship.



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Veterans' Administration Stipend



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Veterans' Administration Stipend

To be considered for this stipend, students must be going into their concentration year of the MSW program.

Students will be working with a wide variety of issues including depression, chronic mental illness, substance abuse, disability issues, etc.

Students specialize by choosing a particular unit in which to intern.

This is a strong clinical placement offering MSW supervision, and a variety of learning opportunities!

Students who are awarded the stipend will receive approximately \$5000.00 before taxes and other deductions (over Fall and Spring semesters of the school year) for doing their internship at the Veterans' Administration.

Opportunities

There are many opportunities available in:

- * Acute Psychiatry: Psychiatric Social Work; Individual and Group Counseling
- * Mental Health Clinic: Family Mental Health Therapy
- * Outpatient Clinic: Case Management for outpatients in a Managed Care setting (Primary Care Team)
- * ER and Admissions: Psychiatric Social Work in a crisis Intervention setting
- * Long Term Psychiatry: Psychiatric Social Work; Individual Counseling; discharge planning
- * PTSD Program: Group Therapy (Including Psychodrama)
- Community Residential: Medication/ Psychiatric assessments, treatment, discharge planning, case management for biopsychosocial needs; crisis, substance abuse treatment

Application Process

- ⇒ Advanced Standing students must submit the stipend application to the Admission's Coordinator with their original application to the MSW program.
- ⇒ Standard Track and ALL Part Time Students must submit the stipend application to the Field Coordinator by April 1st of the year prior to their concentration field placement
- Applications are available in the main office (room #206) at the School of Social Work or online at:
- http://sowk-web.asp.radford.edu/mswforms.html
- To be considered for the stipend, you must:
- Second year of the MSW program or beginning the Advanced Standing program
- Provide a letter of recommendation from your MSW/BSW agency Field Instructor*
- Provide a second letter of recommendation from a faulty member
- Approved as a stipend recipient
- Sign a contractual agreement that outlines the terms of the stipend

*If applicant did not complete a social work field placement a reference from a supervisor in a place of employment is applicable.