## **PsyD** in Clinical Psychology

## **Unique Program Schedule**

Clinical Psychology classAntioch University New England offers what is in many ways a traditional clinical psychology curriculum and set of training experiences, combined with a strong emphasis on our unique educational philosophy which includes multiple roles, reflective practice, social justice, disciplined inquiry, and local clinical science.

Our program schedule is unique: In the first year beginning in September, students come to Antioch University New England on Monday and Tuesday each week for the fall and spring semesters. This is an intensive academic year (without practica) that facilitates relationships among new students and allows informal contact between faculty and students for intensive professional socialization. During the second and third years, courses are offered on a one-day per week basis in two fifteen-week semesters and a six week summer term, plus there are two or more days of practicum which can be at approved sites near students' homes. The fourth year requires one day of class plus the continuation of dissertation work begun the previous year. Most fourth-year students also choose to take an additional advanced practicum. Most students do an internship in their fifth year.

All students typically need the equivalent of a very long day of preparation or more for each day of class. This program schedule is designed so our regional students, living within reasonable driving distance, find it possible to continue living in their home communities. In general, a reasonable distance is approximately a three-hour drive or less, though an increasing number of students are moving to our region. A few students have succeeded with a somewhat longer drive, but that is the exception rather than the rule. Students who move to attend Antioch University New England often locate in one of the many communities within three hours of Keene.

However, we are also aware that some students may feel that remaining in a more distant community is the only option they have, particularly in the first year. For those students we offer the following requirements. During the first year, there is some flexibility with regard to where a student may live. During the second and third years, practica must be located within a four-hour drive of Antioch University New England, in order for it to be feasible for our faculty and the practicum field site supervisors to have a viable working relationship.

Because all members of the PsyD community-faculty, students, and administrators-are on campus together on Mondays thirty-six times per year, there are opportunities for meetings, contact, program politics, professional socialization, and the development of a rich and satisfying community.

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## **Example Schedule**

During the academic year, Monday is scheduled as follows:

8:45-11:30; Morning class time

11:45-12:30; Meetings, advisement, colloquia, or break

12:45-3:30; Mid-day class time

3:40-4:20; Meetings, advisement, colloquia, or break

4:30-7:15; Evening class time

The Tuesday class schedule is as follows:

9:00-11:45; Morning class time

12:00-12:45; Informal meetings, advisement, or break

1:00-3:45; Afternoon class time

During the six-week summer term, the Monday schedule is as follows:

8:45-1:15; Morning class time

1:25-2:05; Meetings, advisement, and colloquia

2:15-6:45; Afternoon class time