The VA San Diego Healthcare System (VASDHS)/ University of California, San Diego (UCSD) Psychology Clinical Research Postdoctoral Residency Program is a two-year program in clinical research and advanced clinical service delivery. Using a clinician scientist model, the fellowship combines individual mentored research and advanced clinical training with state-of-the-art educational, program administration, and evaluation experiences in an interdisciplinary setting. For more information, go to: http://www.sandiego.va.gov/careers/psychology_training.asp

In close affiliation with the UCSD Department of Psychiatry, the program offers two-year positions in each of four special emphasis clinical research tracks for the 2022-2024 training period (about September 1, 2022-August 31, 2024):

- VISN-22 Mental Illness Research, Education, and Clinical Center (MIRECC) Advanced Fellowship Program in Mental Illness Research and Treatment (schizophrenia and other related disorders). **Director: Barton Palmer, PhD** Bpalmer@ucsd.edu
- VA Center of Excellence for Stress and Mental Health (CESAMH) Advanced Fellowship Program in Mental Illness Research and Treatment (PTSD, mTBI, and other trauma-related disorders). **Director: Laurie Lindamer, PhD** Laurie.Lindamer@va.gov
- VA Advanced Fellowship in Women’s Health. **Director: Julie Kangas, PhD** Julie.Kangas@va.gov
- Interprofessional Advanced Fellowship in Addiction Treatment. **Director: Neal Doran, PhD** Neal.Doran@va.gov

The VA Center of Excellence for Stress and Mental Health (CESAMH) Advanced Fellowship Program is offering a fellowship opportunity to applicants who can further the Center’s study of how racial, ethnic, cultural, LGBTQ, and other identity characteristics interact with the neurobiology and treatment outcomes of trauma-related conditions. Examples of potential projects include: improved characterization of identity characteristics in CESAMH studies, analysis of existing datasets, development and application of race-based trauma measures to a Veteran population, and assessing the impact of identity trauma as well as resilience factors both on biology and on treatment outcomes. The fellow also can have the opportunity to work with VA clinical populations coping with race-based trauma. Please email Dr. Arpi Minassian for more information, aminassian@ucsd.edu.

**Training:** Residents devote up to 75% effort to clinical research and 25% in direct clinical service, such as providing assessments or conducting therapy in VA clinics or research programs. Additionally, the program allows an opportunity for mentored supervision of psychology interns, practicum students, and graduate and undergraduate students, and for formal presentations to academic, medical, and community audiences. The program prepares residents for VA or university medical center careers that integrate research, clinical, training, and leadership activities.

**Qualifications:** The following are required: 1. U.S. citizenship; 2. Males born after December 31, 1959 must have registered for the draft by age 26; 3. Completion of an APA-accredited doctorate in clinical or counseling psychology and an APA accredited professional psychology internship by September 1, 2022. Desirable qualifications include research experience and training in evidence-based practices, as well as career goals involving clinical, research, and leadership activities in university-affiliated VA or other medical center settings. Recruitment of residents from diverse social and economic backgrounds and diverse cultural and demographic groups is a high priority. The stipend for all first-year positions is currently $51,856 plus benefits with co-pay.

**Application:** Please submit the attached cover sheet, a letter of interest (maximum 3 pages), CV or resume, and 3 letters of recommendation (including one from a research mentor). The letter of interest should include: The special emphasis track to which you are applying and why; a brief summary of educational, research, and clinical research experiences relevant to the specific area of interest; a summary of your training needs and goals for the residency; and a statement of your career goals. We are especially interested in learning about ways in which your personal history, prior training, and career goals align with our program’s commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion. Materials should be submitted via the APPA CAS by 11:59 pm EST (8:59 pm PST) on December 1, 2021. CESAMH, Addictions Treatment and Women’s Health applicants should be available for virtual interviews on Friday, January 7, 2022. Other interview dates and phone interviews may also be possible. Those applying for the MIRECC Track will be scheduled separately. Late applications will be considered only for positions that are not filled by applicants who applied by the deadline. There will be an informational zoom meeting about the program on 11/4/2020 at 4:00 pm (PST). Please contact Jennifer Harryman for details. (Jennifer.Harryman@va.gov)

The program is accredited by the American Psychological Association (APA). Questions related to the program’s accreditation status should be directed to the Commission on Accreditation:
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