

## **Internships Available at The Family Place\***

**Child and Family Clinical Internships** The Family Place offers a number of psychotherapeutic services for children and their families. These include case management, individual and group psychotherapy, parent education, therapeutic in home support, and developmental screenings. Interns are involved in teaching parenting skills, providing individual counseling with parents on parenting issues, and supporting positive parent- child interactions. Interns also become trained in developmental screenings of children. These services are designed to meet the individual needs of families. There are limited placements available for graduate students in counseling, clinical psychology and child development. The time commitment is 16-24 hours per week for graduate students.

**Early Childhood Internships** The Family Place is at the forefront of early childhood initiatives. Our internships in early childhood provide exceptional training and professional development for students who want to work in early intervention, child welfare, mental health, and childcare. Interns work onsite, in early childhood centers, and in our home-based programs. The home-based programs at The Family Place serve over 400 families a year. Two-thirds of these families have children under the age of three. Services include therapeutic support, parent education, and early intervention. The goals are to stimulate children's learning and development at an early age, to help children get ready for school, to encourage parents in their role as first teachers, and to support families' efforts to connect with their schools and communities and make the best use of available services provided in the community. Interns are engaged in home visits, developmental screenings and assessments, classroom support, developmental play activities, and parent support.

**Child Health Internship** The Family Place staff work to ensure that every child has a healthy start in life and that every child and pregnant woman has access to affordable, seamless, comprehensive health and mental health coverage and services. Interns work on a family team to ensure that families are enrolled in services and have the supports they need to maintain their eligibility. Interns will also contribute to advocacy and research relating to children's health issues, drafting fact sheets, preparing materials for our website, newsletters, and our annual public policy luncheon.

**Communications Internship** The Family Place raises funds for its programs through current giving, grant writing, corporate sponsorships, and special events. Events include the annual signature Gingerbread Festival in December and a public policy luncheon in the spring. The Development Office is responsible for media-driven efforts, publications, website development, writing and editing, video and multi-media development, and fund development. The communications intern is involved in the daily operations required for this office. Responsibilities include: developing press releases, writing and editing TFP materials; grant writing, organizing events, assisting with mailings, and donor stewardship. This internship is open for an undergraduate or graduate student majoring in communications or media-related fields.

**Resource and Referral Outreach Project** This internship is available for an undergraduate seeking a bachelor's degree in social work or liberal arts. Responsibilities include researching and collecting information about local community organizations and early education programs, and entering information into a database to be used by staff and community partners. Knowledge and Skills Required: Strong organizational skills and phone communication skills; basic computer skills: ability to locate information on the Internet, typing skills, data entry.

\*In addition to the above internships, individual and class projects will be considered on a case-by-case basis.