



Rural Psychology Placement Opportunities 2024

Going Rural Health are part of the University of Melbourne Department of Rural Health.

The program is Commonwealth funded to support nursing and allied health students, from any university, to complete rural placements in Victoria. Part of the program is specifically targeted to Masters & Doctorate level psychology students. Support provided can include financial assistance/bursary (eligibility criteria applies), education support, mentoring assistance, cultural training, support to supervisors, placement matching & placement development.

Gateway Health Student Psychology Clinic, Wangaratta



The Gateway Health Psychology Clinic offers a nurturing and professionally stimulating placement experience for their provisional psychologists. Supervision is provided by a team of psychologists and clinical psychologists; group supervision occurs on Wednesday afternoons.

Placement days are minimum 2 days per week Monday-Friday. Service delivery is via face-to-face and telehealth, with services including individual therapy, therapeutic or support groups, and involvement in projects and counselling service initiatives. Clients are from all age groups.

Mansfield District Hospital



This placement is in the Primary Care Centre, Mansfield District Hospital, with the Psycho-social team. The Psycho-social team consists of a Psychologist (Fridays only), a social worker, mental health nurse, alcohol and other drug nurse and a mental health outreach worker.

Clients are predominately adults or older adults, seen as outpatients and occasionally as inpatients or home visits. There is also a Psycho-social group aimed at supporting people recovering from substance abuse. Clients can be seen individually and face to face, and there is an opportunity to set up and run a Psycho-education group with support of another team member. There are opportunities to conduct assessments.

Supervision is provided face to face on Fridays by a Psychologist with general registration, the second day of placement will have the support of other members of the Psychosocial team. Placement will need to be on Fridays, and another day of choice.

Catholic Education (Sandhurst Diocese)



Placements can occur in any of the 45 Primary Schools in Sandhurst Diocese, and 14 Secondary Schools. This also includes 3 specialist school settings, at Shepparton, Bendigo and Wangaratta.

School placements will focus on creating flexible learning opportunities for young people who are disengaged from mainstream schooling. These schools recognise everyone is important and that the community has a responsibility to ensure that every young person has the opportunity to develop to their full potential. Face to face individual therapy available. Group work is also possible.

Preference for 2 days per week.

Thrive Wellness & Consulting, Bendigo & Echuca



This placement includes clients across the entire age spectrum for individual therapy, couples and family therapy, and a variety of assessments. Group work is a possibility. Fortnightly professional development activities are available.

The practice is NDIS registered; students should have a current NDIS workers screening check.

Placements are available at either site, or can be split across both. The supervisor (4 days per week) is based at Echuca. The clinic is open Monday-Friday. Preference for placement to be 2 days per week.

More Information:

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