

Name of district: Tucson Unified School District

Website: Tusd1.org

Address: 1010 E. 10th St.

City: Tucson

State: AZ

Zip code: 85737

Type of intern candidates your district is willing to accept (check all that apply):

- Doctoral
- Ed.S.

Name of district contact for school psychology internship: Dr. Susan Phelps

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In which parts of the internship fair will your district participate (check all that apply):

- 10:00-12:00 AM Interviews
- 1:00-3:00 PM Interviews

Is the internship funded: Yes

If so, what is the typical salary: \$24,000-\$27,000

How many interns do you anticipate hiring this year: 2

What are intern assignments from day 1? side-by-side at supervisor's school full-time

Please briefly describe what experiences an intern in your district would receive: Interns in TUSD receive comprehensive training and support. We provide a planned sequence of training, with the primary focus being on assuring breadth and quality of training. Interns will have the opportunity to observe supervisors as they function in different work roles, including administering test batteries, leading MET meetings, providing counseling, consulting with staff, etc. They will be able to observe a variety of types of classrooms, related service providers, and school meetings. After a two-week observation phase, interns will begin to work on their own cases, with the support of their supervisors. Throughout the first semester, interns will take on increasingly more independent work. Support will be faded as skills and confidence develop. The expectation will be that an intern takes over providing service to a school second semester, with ongoing consultation and supervisor support. In addition to on-the-job training with

supervisors, interns participate in three 2-hour professional trainings per month. These include cadre meetings with a small group of fellow psychologists, large-group professional development meetings with all district psychologists, Mentor & Retention meetings with the other interns and first-year psychologists, and trainings in specific areas (e.g., training on the ADOS-2). In addition to primary and secondary supervisors, interns have the opportunity to participate in learning opportunities in special programs on a rotating basis.

Describe professional development and training opportunities at site. (Check all that apply):

- regularly scheduled professional development for intern level trainees (targeting trainee skills)
- regularly scheduled psychologist group meetings/supervision/training (targeting all district school psychologists)
- intern group supervision (in addition to individual supervision)

Will the supervisor(s) provide 2 hours of direct supervision for every 40 hours worked: Yes
How many hours do interns typically accumulate throughout the year: 1500

What other information should intern candidates know about your district or internship experience that is not listed here?

TUSD has at least two paid internship positions available for the 2021-22 school year. TUSD is the second largest school district in AZ. The district serves students from preschool through 12th grade. Student enrollment includes approximately 45,000 students located across more than 80 school sites. The Exceptional Education Department has approximately 50 school psychologists serving these students. Tucson is a diverse community with big-city opportunities and a small-town feel. Many historical, cultural, arts, sports, and natural attractions/activities are easily accessible. Please sign up to interview with us if you are interested in living and working in Tucson.

Interns are assigned to both a primary and a secondary supervisor in order to have opportunities to observe a variety of school sites, program types, and professional styles. Field supervisors are certified School Psychologists with at least 3 years of experience.

Are there at least two licensed doctoral psychologists on staff in the event that a doctoral candidate wishes to receive supervision consistent with a future pursuit of licensure: Yes

Do you require students to apply to the district ahead of time: No

If so please provide directions for students on where to apply (physical address/email address/website) and what portfolio materials to submit: Application to the district ahead of the Internship Fair is preferred, but not required. The posting for the position should become available in December or January at: <https://jobs.tusd1.org/>