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APPLICATIONS**

***PRACTICUM IN
CHILDHOOD
TRAUMA***

The Practicum in Childhood Trauma (PSY 4953.003) will expose students to the current understanding of the causes and consequences of childhood trauma on development and provide *hands-on experience supporting foster care youth in our community.*

Applications close on
Friday, April 18th

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URL:

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JOIN DR. MONICA LAWSON TO LEARN ABOUT CHILDHOOD TRAUMA WHILE GAINING HANDS-ON EXPERIENCES MENTORING FOSTER CARE YOUTH IN OUR COMMUNITY.

The Practicum in Childhood Trauma (**PSY 4953.003**) will enhance understanding of the causes and consequences of childhood trauma on development. The class will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00-2:15. Class meetings will include a mix of lectures and discussions of assigned research articles that primarily focus on childhood abuse and neglect. In addition to assignments and assessments, students will be required to complete practicum ~20 hours including mentoring of youth in foster care.

HOW DO I REGISTER?

The Practicum in Childhood Trauma is a restricted registration course. This means that students can only register after obtaining approval from Dr. Lawson. This is because all students enrolled in the course will need to pass a background check per UTSA regulations. **To get started, complete the online application by Friday, April 18th.** Students recommended to move onto the background check stage will complete that process prior to enrollment.

WHO IS A GOOD FIT?

Competitive students will:

- (1) have a 3.0 GPA or higher
- (2) demonstrate a strong desire to work with individuals who experienced trauma
- (3) demonstrate strong leadership and teamwork skills
- (4) pass a background check
- (5) have availability in their schedule for practicum activities

All students interested in child development and/or trauma are encouraged to apply. Students can come from *any* major and can be at *any* level in their training (freshman, sophomore, etc.). Email Dr. Lawson at **monica.lawson@utsa.edu** with any questions.