

## Clinical Year Time Estimates and Obligations

Per the CMHC Practicum and Internship Handbook, students have Practicum and Internship year in the CMHC program. The year is broken up into three semesters: Practicum, 15 weeks (summer semester), Internship I, 15 weeks (fall semester), and Internship II, 15 weeks (spring semester). Within each of those semesters there is a minimum requirement of hours that the student must be at the Placement (either on site or virtual) either working with clients or doing indirect work for the site. Note, many sites require students to be in person or virtually weekdays, during the day, and we as a program have no control over this.

In addition to the requirements for Practicum and Internship, the student has additional course each semester: MHC 7203 Counseling for Career Development, MHC 8092 Consultation for Counselors, and MHC 8093 Supervision for Counselors. As well students will be studying and taking the CPCE in late fall and demands of the graduate work, family, employment and friends to ensure completion of the Program and graduate.

The average time commitment for each semester is:

Summer: Practicum

- o Site

(physical or virtual) hours a week (100 hours for the semester)

- o Faculty Supervision average 1 hour per week (15 hours for the semester)
- o Practicum Class meetings plus assignments average 2 hours a week (30 hours for the semester)
- o MHC 7203 Career Counseling Course average 9 hours a week (includes attending class and assignments)
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\*\*\*An option to consider is taking an additional year to finish the program. Completing practicum and internship first and then an additional year to take MHC 8092 and 8093, CPCE and NCE exams.