



# STATE STIPENDS FOR PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE INFORMATION ON THE 2016-17 STIPENDS

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**The California MFT Educational Stipend Program** awards educational stipends to MFT students who are willing to obtain post-degree internship or employment in a county contracted public mental health agency. The State Stipend Program is administered through Phillips Graduate University. This is a summary of the State Stipend Program but for more detailed information and application materials, go to Phillips' website, [www.pgu.edu](http://www.pgu.edu), "MFT Consortium" and "California State Stipend Program".

## **Objectives of the California Stipend Program**

- To recruit MFT students with the capacity to serve the culturally diverse needs of persons in mental health care
- To prepare MFT students in the delivery of mental health services that promotes wellness, recovery and resilience
- To recruit into MFT academic programs individuals who have experience in the public mental health system as clients or family members of clients
- To promote public mental health as a career option for those entering the MFT profession

## **Stipends Awarded \***

- Up to 110 educational stipends of \$18,500 will be awarded throughout the state for use by recipients to defray the cost of their graduate education
- 22 of the 110 stipends will be awarded to students that apply to serve the Los Angeles County
- Students may apply to serve other state regions: San Diego, Orange, Inland Empire, Central Coast, Central Valley, Bay Area or Greater Sacramento

## **Employment Commitment Required of Stipend Recipients**

- One year of paid employment service as an MFT Intern at a mental health service agency operated or contracted by the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health
- Employment search begins upon graduating

## **Eligibility for the 2016-17 Stipends**

- Students who graduate between July 1, 2016 and August 31, 2017
- Students who complete their field placement (traineeship) in an agency contracted with a county mental health or behavioral health department

## **Application Information for the 2016-17 Stipends**

- The State's application form and guide will be available on Phillips website under *MFT Consortium of CA - State Stipend Program* on **August 17, 2016**.
- **Application Deadline: October 5, 2016**

\* Pending execution of the State contract

If eligible, students may apply to the LA County and State stipend programs by submitting the application required by both programs. However, a student may only be awarded a stipend from one program. Inquires may be sent to [gsep.careerservices@pepperdine.edu](mailto:gsep.careerservices@pepperdine.edu).



# COUNTY STIPENDS FOR PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE INFORMATION ON THE 2016-17 STIPENDS

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**The Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health MFT Stipend Program** awards educational stipends to MFT students who are willing to obtain post-degree employment as an MFT intern in a public mental health agency contracted by Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health providing services to their clients in communities in need of mental health practitioners. The LA County's Stipend Program is administered through Phillips Graduate University. This is a summary of the LA County's Stipend Program but for more detailed information and application materials, go to Phillips' website, [www.pgu.edu](http://www.pgu.edu), and click on "MFT Consortium" and "LA County Stipend Program".

## **Objectives of the Los Angeles County Stipend Program**

- To promote public mental health as a training and career option for MFT students
- To recruit MFT students with multicultural capacity to work in communities designated as high need for mental health practitioners including Antelope Valley, Downtown Los Angeles, East Los Angeles, and South Los Angeles
- To recruit MFT students who are willing to work in MHSA funded service programs that promote mental health care in the field, such as in schools and clients' homes
- To recruit MFT students with capacity to provide clinical services in languages other than English

## **Stipends Awarded in 2016-17 \***

- Up to 52 educational stipends of \$18,500 will be awarded to MFT students

## **Employment Commitment Requirement for Stipend Recipients**

- One year of employment as a Marriage and Family Therapy Intern in an agency and program operated directly or contracted through the LA County Department of Mental Health
- Employment search begins upon graduating

## **Eligibility for the 2016-17 Stipends**

- Students who graduate between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017
- Students who complete their field placement (traineeship) in an agencies providing mental health treatment to underserved communities and culturally diverse populations

## **Application Information for 2016-17 Stipends**

- The County's application form will be available on Phillips website under *MFT Consortium of Los Angeles County Stipend Program* on **September 14, 2016**
- **Application Deadline: November 2, 2016**

\* Pending execution of the LA County contract

If eligible, students may apply to the LA County and State stipend programs by submitting the application required by both programs. However, a student may only be awarded a stipend from one program. Inquires may be sent to [gsep.careerservices@pepperdine.edu](mailto:gsep.careerservices@pepperdine.edu).