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NEUROPSYCHOLOGY FELLOWSHIP BROCHURE

MEET OUR TEAM

Neuropsychologists

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Adriana Macias Strutt, Ph.D., ABPP-CN is a Board-certified Neuropsychologist, Professor of Neurology and Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, and Director of the Spanish/Cross-Cultural Fellowship and BCM Cerebro. She earned her master's and doctorate from Loma Linda University and completed an internship and clinical fellowship at BCM. Dr. Strutt founded Taquitos de Sesos, an international online didactic program. She specializes in evaluating bilingual/monolingual Spanish-speaking patients and is the neuropsychologist for the Tourette Center of Excellence. She conducts pre-surgical evaluations for patients diagnosed with epilepsy and movement disorders.

Stephen R. McCauley, Ph.D., is a Clinical Neuropsychologist, Professor in the Departments of Neurology, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, and Pediatrics BCM, and Director of the ECCOS Clinic. Dr. McCauley earned his master's in psychology and doctorate in Clinical Neuropsychology from the University of Houston. His training includes a clinical internship in Neuropsychology at the Henry Ford Hospital System in Detroit, MI. His research and clinical interests include cross-cultural neuropsychology, assessment of neurodegenerative and genetic disorders, and psychological measurement development/psychometrics.

Samantha K. Henry, Ph.D., is a Clinical Neuropsychologist and Assistant Professor in the Department of Neurology. She earned her master's degree and doctorate in Medical/Clinical Psychology from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. She completed her clinical internship in Neuropsychology at the University of Chicago and her postdoctoral fellowship at BCM. Her clinical and research interests include assessment of neurodegenerative conditions, chronic illness, organ transplant candidates, and culturally diverse populations. She also performs intraoperative language mapping for tumor patients.

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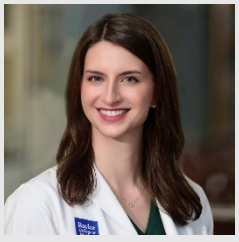

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Psychometrists

Victoria A. Windham, M.A., CSP, is a Senior Psychometrician in the Department of Neurology. She received her B.S. in Psychology with honors and her M.A. in Clinical Psychology from Sam Houston State University. She worked at an inpatient facility for adjudicated youth, an inpatient facility for TBI populations, and provided community-based psychosocial rehabilitation services to rural individuals. Her research interests include the role of social economic status in cognitive performance among MCI and Alzheimer's disease populations, psychometrics/measure development, and cross-cultural neuropsychology.

Victoria Armendáriz, M.S., CSP, is a Senior Psychometrician in the Department of Neurology. She received her B.A. in Psychology and M.S. in Applied Cognition and Neuroscience from Houston Baptist University and UT Dallas, respectively. Prior to joining BCM, she worked as a research assistant focusing on child language, cognitive, and social-emotional development through parent intervention programs. Her research interests include early detection of neurodegenerative diseases, the interrelatedness of culture and cognitive aging among Hispanics/Latinos, and test development for Spanish-speaking populations.

Melany Land, M.S., is a Senior Psychometrician in the Department of Neurology. She received her B.S in Psychology with honors from the University of Houston. She completed her M.S. in Clinical Psychology with a focus in Neuropsychology from the University of Texas at Tyler. Her graduate practica included working with adults with neurodegenerative diseases and children with learning and developmental difficulties. Her research interests include the early detection and prevention of neurogenerative diseases among Hispanics/Latinos populations, and outcomes in epilepsy and tumor surgical patients.

Terrence Commons B.S. B.A., CSP is a Psychometrician in the Department of Neurology. He received his B.S. in Psychology and B.A. in Sociology at the University of Florida with honors and a minor in Spanish. He worked as a Crisis Counselor/intake specialist working with community Mental Health and Substance Abuse treatment centers in North Central Florida, as Research Assistant in the Career Calling Lab, and was trained as a psychometrist at UF before joining the BCM team. C linical interests include psychological and sociological disciplines, including cultural differences in presentations of mood disorders and coping strategies, as well as the collective processing of traumatic events among social groups.

Current Neuropsychology Fellow

Abigail Baird, MSW, Ph.D. is the current Adult Neuropsychology fellow in the Department of Neurology at Baylor College of Medicine. She completed her B.A. at Abilene Christian University and her master's in social work at the University of Texas at Arlington. She completed her doctorate in counseling psychology at Texas Woman's University and her pre-doctoral internship at the Loma Linda Veterans Healthcare System in the Adult Neuropsychology track. Her primary research and clinical interests include neuropsychological assessment and rehabilitation of neurological and neuropsychiatric disorders, traumatic and acquired brain injury, forensic assessment, and cross-cultural neuropsychology.

ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

The Neuropsychology Section in the Department of Neurology at Baylor College of Medicine is located in the middle of the world's largest medical center, the Texas Medical Center, in Houston, Texas. Baylor is part owner of Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center, part of the CHI St. Luke's Health System, and has hospital affiliations with: Harris Health System, Texas Children's Hospital, The University of Texas, MD Anderson Cancer Center and Health Sciences Center, The Institute for Rehabilitation and Research (TIRR) Memorial Hermann, Menninger Clinic, the Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center, and Children's Hospital of San Antonio.

At Baylor College of Medicine, Neuropsychology is an integral part of many interdisciplinary teams across several specialties, including Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS), Alzheimer's disease and memory disorders, Multiple Sclerosis (MS), and Epilepsy. This allows us to train our learners to be future leaders in the field who are comfortable communicating across disciplines. We work with professionals in Neurology, Neurosurgery, Psychiatry, PM&R, Internal Medicine, and Geriatrics, among others. The diversity of our patient population allows for depth and breadth of training and exposes trainees to exciting developments that may occur in treatments and interventions. The Neuropsychology Team is extremely collaborative and works together to create new opportunities for our section and our learners to continuously grow and meet the evolving needs of our patients.

Our structured two-year postdoctoral fellowship in clinical neuropsychology prepares fellows to function as independent scientist-clinicians and provides an advanced comprehensive training opportunity for fellows to gain competence in adult neuropsychological assessment, feedback sessions, supervision, and multidisciplinary team consultation. Our program offers two distinct fellowship tracks: the ***General Adult Neuropsychology Fellowship*** and the ***Spanish/Cross-Cultural Fellowship***.

CLINICAL OPPORTUNITIES

Neuropsychology fellows have the opportunity to evaluate a variety of patients with neurological and neurosurgical conditions. Fellows in clinical neuropsychology are involved in direct patient care in an outpatient academic setting with internal referrals from the Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Center, the Alzheimer's Disease and Memory Disorders Center, General Neurology, the Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Association Clinic, the Maxine Mesinger Multiple Sclerosis Clinic, the BCM Epilepsy clinic, , Primary Care/Family Medicine, Psychiatry, Long Covid Clinic, Otolaryngology, and Transition Medicine, as well as external referrals from community Neurology and family medicine practices. Responsibilities include clinical assessment and consultation, feedback sessions, participation in multi-disciplinary team meetings (DBS, Alzheimer's disease, epilepsy surgery, and ALS), as well as ongoing research. Neuropsychology fellows will observe DBS and epilepsy surgeries and will participate in stimulation mapping and corticography as part of their multidisciplinary training.

The Spanish/Cross-Cultural Neuropsychology specialty training program will provide the fellow with the opportunity to learn new assessment batteries and techniques, better understand the influence of socio-demographic variables on Westernized neuropsychological practices, and assess monolingual and bilingual Spanish speakers and non-English/Spanish-speaking individuals via the ECCOS Clinic with a myriad of neurological and psychiatric conditions. The fellow will also have the opportunity to become a certified medical Spanish interpreter. Spanish proficiency is required for this position and coursework or experience in the neuropsychological assessment of Spanish speakers is preferred.

EDUCATIONAL AND RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

Fellows participate in a wide array of medical center didactics including Neurology and Psychiatry Grand Rounds, weekly Baylor Neuropsychology Seminars, Texas Children's Hospital Neuropsychology Didactics, and monthly cross-cultural neuropsychology didactics (Taquitos de Sesos). Fellows also will enroll in a functional neuroanatomy course through Baylor. Participation in the neuroanatomy course provides the fellow with comprehensive, in-depth training in neuroanatomy through participation in wet lab dissection, and regular lecture series with case examples of neurological syndromes. Fellows are encouraged to observe DBS lead implantation and epilepsy and tumor resection surgeries.

Fellows will also participate in research and may either collaborate in ongoing research programs (e.g., cross-cultural, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis, DBS) or pursue independent research in an area of their specific interest. There are also opportunities for program development for those who are interested.

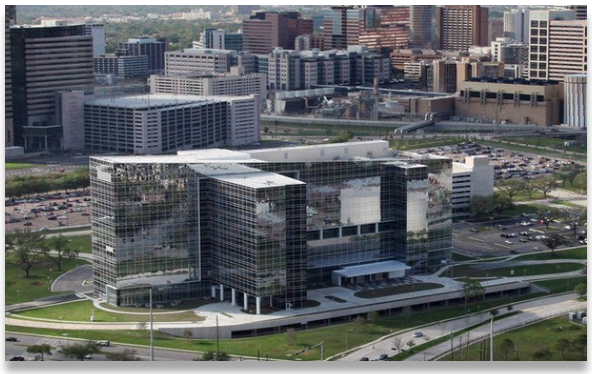
WORK ENVIRONMENT

Neuropsychology Fellows will work primarily at the McNair Campus, home to the Baylor College of Medicine Medical Center which is occupied by 16 adult practices. The facility is located on a 35-acre tract adjacent to the DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center and in close proximity to the Texas Medical Center.

Neuropsychology fellows attend minor rotations once a week in other settings in the Texas Medical Center that provide neuropsychological services based on the interests of the fellow and site availability. Rotations previously selected include The University of Texas Health Science Center, MD Anderson Cancer Center and Health Sciences Center, The Institute for Research and Rehabilitation, The Menninger Clinic, and Texas Children's Hospital.

At the McNair Campus, the Neuropsychology section has five dedicated testing rooms in addition to space for administrative activities. Fellows are provided with their own cubicle space, computer, and telephone, along with necessary office supplies. There is access to the Texas Medical Center Library Services, which includes online journal access. Fellows have the opportunity to work with patients at Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center via surgical observations.

The BCM Neuropsychology Section is a fast-paced environment that is ever-changing. Fellows will have the opportunity to tailor their training for their educational enrichment and their future career goals.



SALARY AND BENEFITS

Stipend and benefits are competitive with similar training programs nationally and consistent with BCM personnel policies. The salary for all Neuropsychology Fellows is set at the current NIH stipend level of $61,008 annually for all Fellows at BCM.

Neuropsychology Fellows are required to complete two years of full-time supervised training (4,000 hours total). Regular work hours are from 8:00am-5:00pm, Monday through Friday, except for BCM holidays. Fellows receive 15 days of vacation per academic year. They also receive one day of floating time off (FTO) per quarter. Fellows are entitled to 12 days of paid sick leave each academic year. Sick days are credited at the beginning of each academic year and are available for use when sick throughout the academic year.

Alzheimer's Association Walk

Neuropsychology Holiday Retreat

PLACEMENT DESCRIPTIONS

PRIMARY PLACEMENT

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The focus of BCM Cerebro and the ECCOS (Embracing Cultural Competence in Outpatient Settings) clinics are to provide specialized training in linguistically and culturally appropriate neuropsychological assessment that is empirically grounded. Both the general and specialty fellowship tracks provide the opportunity for experience in the assessment of non-Spanish/English patients, through the ECCOS Clinic. Arabic, Cantonese/Mandarin, Farsi/Persian, Hindi, Portuguese, Korean, Urdu, and Vietnamese-speaking patients, among others, have been provided neuropsychological evaluations through this service with the goal of extending our evaluations to other culturally and linguistically diverse populations. Training in interpreter-mediated neuropsychological assessment is included in this experience as well as the importance of building and maintaining an examiner-examinee relationship that respects cultural and lifestyle practices.

MINOR ROTATIONS

External Rotation Sites

The Institute for Research and Rehabilitation (TIRR) Memorial Hermann

Petya Demireva, Ph.D.

TIRR is a large rehabilitation hospital affiliated with The University of Texas, and with opportunities to work with patients in an inpatient, a day treatment program, and an outpatient assessment setting. Patient populations include predominantly stroke, TBI, anoxic brain injury, and spinal cord injury. Additional patients may present with specialty rehabilitation needs, such as limb loss, MS, Guillain-Barré syndrome, and others. At the hospital, most clinical work involves serial assessment of inpatients with brief bedside tests or serial monitoring to determine length of PTA, but the fellow can also be involved in multidisciplinary rounds, co-treating with other disciplines, and facilitating psycho-educational or treatment groups for patients and families. Additional opportunities may include experiences at The Challenge Program, which is a day treatment Brain Injury program aimed at community reintegration, where neuropsychology is involved in assessment, delivery of cognitive rehabilitation interventions on an individual and group basis, and provision of brief psychotherapy to aid with adjustment and coping or behavioral problems. Although most of our staff neuropsychologists and psychologists work with adults, some opportunities to gain experience performing outpatient assessments and intervention with pediatric patients may be available.

The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, Department of Neuro-Oncology Mariana E. Bradshaw, PhD, ABPP-CN, Director of Training; Jeffrey S. Wefel, PhD, ABPP-CN, Section Chief, Kyle Noll, PhD, ABPP-CN, Jennie Rexer, PhD, ABPP-CN

The MD Anderson Cancer Center is a large, multidisciplinary academic medical institution, and the Section of Neuropsychology runs an active consultation-liaison service that receives consult requests from every clinical division within the institute. Approximately 50% of the patients referred have a known structural brain lesion (e.g., primary or metastatic brain tumor) for which they perform pre- operative fMRI, pre- and post-operative neuropsychological assessments, longitudinal evaluation of cognitive, behavioral, emotional, and functional well-being, and offer management and intervention strategies; the other 50% of patients are referred for assessment of traditional adult neuro-medical disorders and provision of management and intervention strategies (e.g., dementia, seizure, stroke, psychological and psychiatric comorbidities, cancer and cancer therapy neurotoxicities, discharge and return to work planning, driving evaluations, capacity, behavioral management, compensatory and restorative intervention approaches).

McGovern Medical School at The University of Texas Health Science Center, Department of Neurology, Division of Neuropsychology

Bethany Williams, PhD, Director of the Division of Neuropsychology and Director of Fellowship Training, Christina Burrows, PhD, Kendra Anderson, PhD & Elizabeth Reese, PsyD

At The University of Texas Health Science Center, Division of Neuropsychology, fellows have the opportunity to provide comprehensive assessments of adults with a range of neurocognitive disorders as well as emotional or psychological conditions that contribute to cognitive dysfunction. The Division of Neuropsychology at UTHSC provides group interventions within three clinical services: (a) Brain Health and Cognitive Training Group for Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI); (b) cognitive-behavioral therapy for patients with Non-epileptic Seizures (NES); and (c) Cognitive-behavioral therapy for insomnia (CBT-I). Fellows may be assigned to one or two of the programs. Over the course of the rotations, fellows will learn, deliver, and evaluate manualized group interventions. Fellows also have the opportunity to conduct brief neuropsychological evaluations for the Huntington's disease (HD) program as part of the patient's interdisciplinary visit. Also integral to the rotation is the provision of feedback to patients and families, with the goal of providing education about the cognitive impact of HD, recommendations regarding potential interventions, and supportive strategies for managing neurobehavioral changes.

Texas Children's Hospital Neuropsychology Division, Department of Psychology

Kimberly C. Davis, PhD

Interested fellows will have an opportunity to complete a minor rotation in pediatric neuropsychology through the Neuropsychology Service of Texas Children's Hospital (TCH), which is the largest children's hospital in the United States and the primary teaching/training center for the Baylor College of Medicine's (BCM) Department of Pediatrics. TCH was designated by U.S. News and World Report in 2018-2019 for Honor Roll status in pediatrics, ranking 4th overall. The client population served through the TCH Neuropsychology Service represents a wide range of conditions within primary and specialized pediatric medicine. Common conditions seen include leukemia, brain tumors, sickle cell disease, stroke, epilepsy, demyelinating disorders, traumatic brain injury, organ failure and transplantation, bone marrow transplantation, cochlear implantation, HIV, diabetes, lupus, genetic disorders, autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders, ADHD, psychiatric disorders, learning disabilities, and other neurological or systemic medical conditions. This advanced minor rotation is limited to fellows who have had previous assessment experience with children.

BCM Menninger Psychiatric Hospital

Ashley LeMaire, PhD, ABPP-CN

Menninger Clinic is a nationally ranked hospital for the treatment of individuals with serious mental illness and/or addiction. Using an interdisciplinary approach, each treatment team typically includes nurses, psychiatric rehabilitation specialists, chemical dependency counselors, social workers, psychologists, and psychiatrists. Interested fellows have the opportunity to complete a minor rotation in adult neuropsychology. Fellows will conduct comprehensive assessments with individuals in both inpatient and outpatient settings varying in age from young adult to older adult with complex psychiatric illness, including personality disorders and co-occurring disorders. Commonly seen conditions include bipolar disorder, GAD, MDD, OCD, personality disorders (e.g., avoidant, borderline, narcissistic, obsessive-compulsive), PTSD and other trauma-related disorders, schizophrenia, and substance abuse. Fellows will also have the opportunity to shadow interdisciplinary treatment teams in weekly meetings and team rounds, and gain exposure to the integration of medical, psychological, behavioral, and social models to therapeutic treatment. This fellowship rotation provides a unique opportunity to see how neuropsychological evaluations are integrated into diagnostic formulation and treatment planning.

Cerebro Exchange Program

The BCM Cerebro Exchange program is a one-week clinical observation and training fellowship exchange program with bilingual programs in Texas and across the country. The schedule includes supervision, observation of several clinical cases, assigned readings, and introduction to the visiting institution's culture and communities. Fellows will engage in daily supervision and record review and will assist in developing a plan for test administration procedures with their assigned supervisor. Duties will include assistance in scoring protocols as well as participation in case conceptualization. The Fellow may be asked to write a portion of the clinical documentation as determined by the supervisor. Assignment of a deliverable prior to this rotation will be determined in conjunction with Dr. Adriana M. Strutt and the visiting site's supervisor.

INTERNAL SPECIALTY CLINICS

In addition to exposure to a variety of patient populations through general clinical duties, Fellows have the option of creating specialized training opportunities within the Department of Neurology. These internal clinical rotations allow for in-depth training surrounding a particular syndrome, including shadowing specialty providers, attending interdisciplinary meetings, and conducting specialized evaluations.

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Clinic

This specialty clinic will be conducted in conjunction with the ALS Association of Houston. The ALS Multi-disciplinary Clinic at BCM was established in 2005. It offers a multidisciplinary approach to treating the disease with symptomatic relief, prevention of complications, and maintenance of optimal independence. Through the assistance of a qualified ALS specialty team, families have the opportunity to receive the best available medical and therapeutic care in one location. The clinic was certified as a Center of Excellence through the ALS Association in 2006. The clinic follows 80 to 90 patients annually. This rotation involves biweekly brief assessment and intervention with patients and loved ones affected by ALS.

Alzheimer's Disease and Memory Disorders Clinic (ADMDC)

This specialty rotation will be conducted in conjunction with the Alzheimer's Disease and Memory Disorders Center (ADMDC) in the BCM Department of Neurology. Each year, the ADMDC manages more than 3,000 patient visits. People come to the Center for diagnosis of their memory problems, treatment and disease management, and to participate in clinical research studies. The ADMDC's approach to patient care is comprehensive and addresses the needs of both the patient and the family. Following diagnosis, patients and their family members are seen regularly to ensure continuous monitoring and treatment of disease progression, and to discuss the most recent developments in therapeutics and research. The ADMDC has a clinical psychologist who provides counseling, support, education, and referral services for each patient and family at the time of their initial visit, at all annual follow-ups, and on an as needed basis.

Deep Brain Stimulation/Focused Ultrasound Rotation

This minor rotation will be conducted in conjunction with the Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Clinic (PDMDC) in the BCM Department of Neurology. The PDMDC has long been recognized as one of the world's leading clinical and research institutions focused on PD and related movement disorders and houses The Tourette Center of Excellence. This rotation provides a hands-on comprehensive evaluation and observership of all aspects of DBS procedures including observation of the DBS surgery and programming and focused ultrasound procedures.

Epilepsy Specialty Rotation

This specialty rotation will be conducted in conjunction with the Baylor Comprehensive Epilepsy Center within the BCM Department of Neurology. This rotation includes the opportunity to evaluate patients presenting with a wide range of epileptic syndromes and comorbid conditions. The focus of the rotation will be evaluating surgical candidates, including participation in intraoperative interventions. For those Fellows who are Spanish-speaking, pre- and post-surgical evaluations for Spanish-speaking patients are possible.

Multiple Sclerosis Specialty Rotation

This rotation will be offered in conjunction with the Maxine Mesinger Multiple Sclerosis Clinic, within the Multiple Sclerosis Comprehensive Care Center in the BCM Department of Neurology. This rotation includes the opportunity to evaluate patients presenting with MS and other demyelinating conditions (e.g., neuromyelitis optica). Patients are followed regularly through the MS center, which frequently collaborates with the infusion center, ophthalmology, and rheumatology. The MS center also has a social worker dedicated to providing care for patients with MS.

Research Specialty Rotation

This minor rotation can be arranged for trainees who have a strong interest in pursuing additional research projects. Fellows who select this rotation will collaborate with a faculty sponsor to design an original research project. This specialty rotation will allow for additional dedicated research time in the second year of fellowship to complete a research project.

Community Outreach Rotation: Houston Area Parkinson Society (HAPS)

This is an exciting fellowship placement that strives to create partners in service to the community by training neuropsychologists who not only are dedicated to clinical and scientific excellence, but also have developed compassion and understanding of the populations that they serve. The Neuropsychology section has partnered with the Houston Area Parkinson Society (HAPS), a non-profit organization that serves, educates and advocates for those affected by Parkinson's disease in our community. Founded in 1974, HAPS provides comprehensive services to eight counties in metropolitan Houston, with an estimated population of more than 6 million people. HAPS offers over 40 weekly exercise, water, and music therapy groups in addition to Tai chi, tango, yoga, dance, singing and non-contact boxing classes that are made available by HAPS free of charge. Our fellows will provide community outreach activities through HAPS on a recurring basis throughout their two-year fellowship. Community outreach activities may include but are not limited to (based on the fellow's interests): leading a manualized group cognitive rehabilitation executive functioning program, co-leading support groups, providing educational presentations to patients and caregivers, developing educational materials, and providing individual therapy.

LIFE IN HOUSTON

Houston - the 4th largest city in the United States - boasts modern industries, a thriving intellectual environment, and much more. Houston is also the most diverse city in the nation with a great mix of people, culture, and industries. Houston's low cost of living and affordable housing options may be among the reasons the city's population continues to grow. With both urban and suburban communities, Houston is an ideal location for families and single professionals alike.

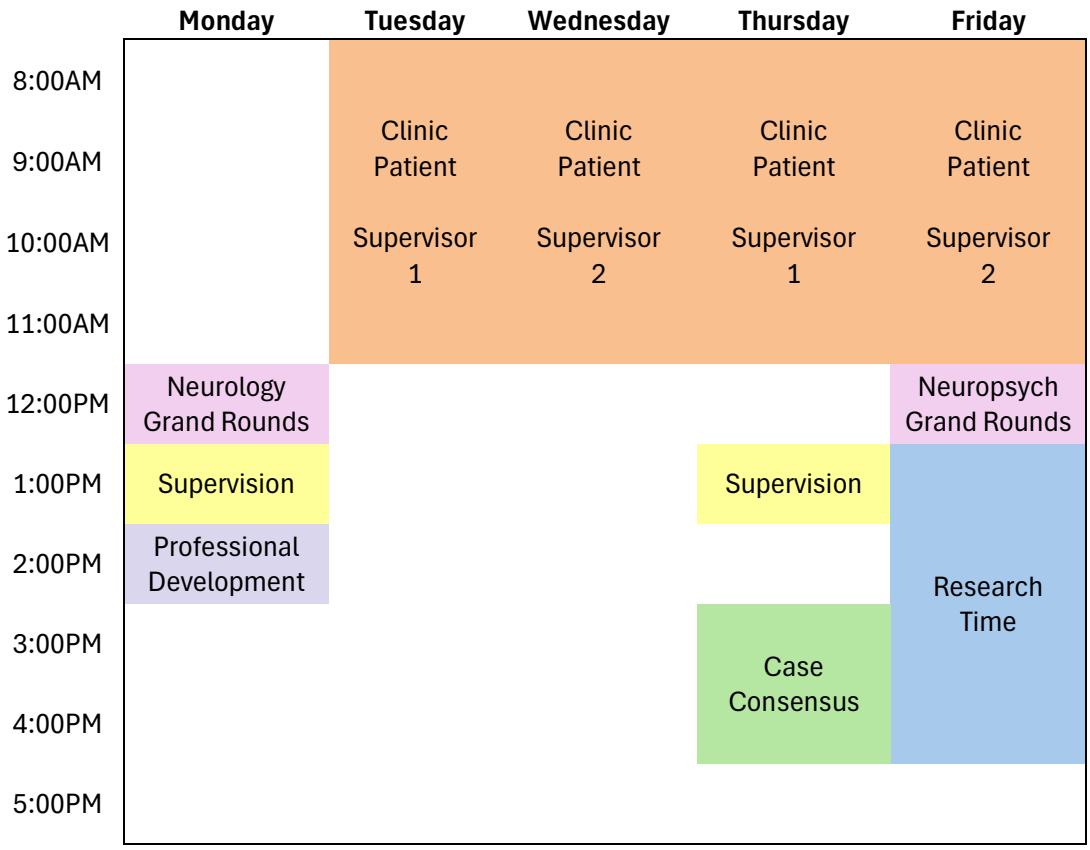
Houston was voted the No. 1 spot on Forbes' list of "America's Coolest Cities to Live" and there are plenty of reasons why. The city enjoys attractions like the Johnson Space Center, Museum District, Theater District, major sports arenas, and other numerous entertainment venues. Houston is also host to several annual events, including the Texas Renaissance Festival, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Houston Art Car Parade, Houston Restaurant Weeks, Houston Shakespeare Festival, Brewsology Beer Fest, and Houston BBQ Festival to name a few.

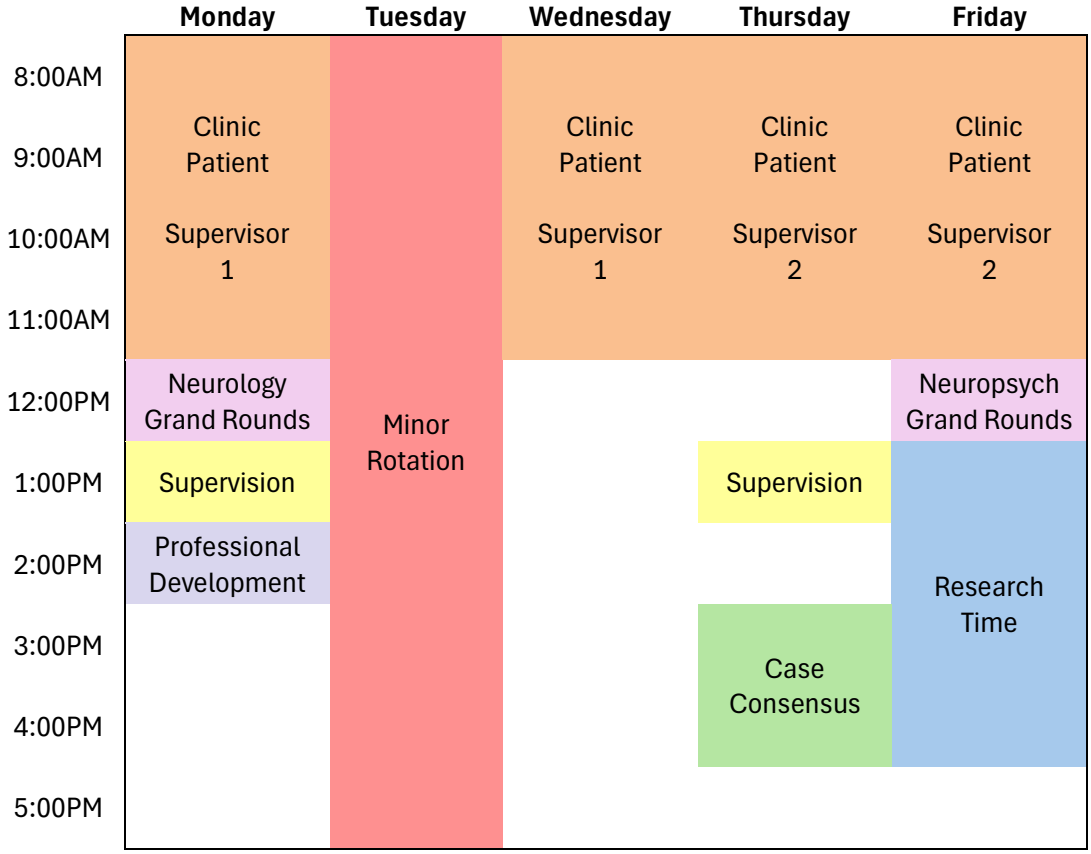
With over 11,000 restaurants, the New York Times calls Houston "one of the country's most exciting places to eat." Like the city itself, Houston's culinary scene is incredibly diverse including Chinese, Vietnamese, Tex-Mex, Louisiana Creole and Cajun, West African, Indian, Southern barbecue, Middle Eastern, and Korean among many others. The city is also home to a number of craft breweries and taprooms and rooftop bars.

Those interested in staying active can take advantage of the 160 miles of dedicated bikeways and running trails at local parks and recreation areas. Houston has an active cycling community and there are several social cycling and running clubs for those seeking company. There are also 5 state parks within a 60-mile radius from Downtown Houston for nature lovers.

With the 100+ newcomers to the Houston metro area daily, there is sure to be a new friendly face whatever you decide to pursue.

SCHEDULE EXAMPLES





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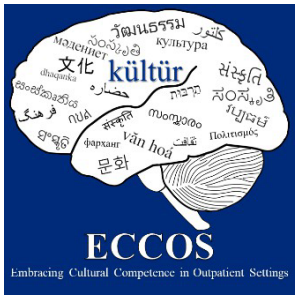

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