

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES
CLASS SPECIFICATION

PSYCHOLOGY INTERN

POSITION CODE: 35660

Effective: 12-16-71

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF WORK:

Under direct supervision, for a period not to exceed two years, participates in a comprehensive training program which includes closely supervised experience in the development of professional skills and techniques in interviewing, administering, and scoring psychological tests, psychotherapy, report writing, and research concerning the mental health care and treatment of patients or inmates in institutional or community settings; prepares reports and presents them at training seminars and staff meetings.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK:

1. Interview and administers standard psychological tests to residents of a state hospital, clinic, school or penitentiary; scores and interprets tests results; may administer routine intelligence and personality tests to employee applicants; may also administer tests to special cases referred by social agencies and other sources.
2. Assists in the collection and evaluation of data for psychological research projects; may participate in research projects.
3. Performs some psychotherapeutic treatment under immediate supervision, or as a member of a treatment team.
4. Attends departmental and professional meetings.
5. Performs other duties as required or assigned which are reasonably within the scope of the duties enumerated above.

DESIRABLE REQUIREMENTS:

Education and Experience

Requires knowledge, skill and mental development equivalent to completion of four years college, supplemented by one year in graduate psychology.

Knowledges, Skills and Abilities

Requires elementary knowledge of testing procedures and standard test forms and devices used in ascertaining intelligence, aptitude, personality, and other related physical and mental traits.

Requires ability to work with and gain the confidence of mentally ill or socially abnormal persons or disturbed children.

Requires ability to learn to administer, score and interpret psychological examinations.