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## **Langley School District**

### ***Information Re: Counselling Practicum Placements***

In all circumstances, counselling practicum students must request practicum placements through a District application process before consideration will be granted. Counselling practicum placement applications will be considered if qualified School District counsellors have volunteered to accept the responsibilities of supervising a counselling practicum student (practicum site supervisors) and the following criteria has been met:

- The University has a fully accredited Masters Degree program in Counselling
- The number of supervised client practicum hours required by the University meets or exceeds our District's 250 hour requirement.
- The applicant is not employed by the school where the practicum hours are requested
- The supervising counsellor is not a close friend or relative of the applicant
- The site for the supervised practicum does not have a relative of the applicant registered in their school.

These guidelines and restrictions are intended to protect the applicant and the school district from any ethical or legal conflicts that could arise from a variety of issues, the least of which could be a conflict of interest.

In the event the School District does not have any practicum site supervisors at the time of application, it will be suggested to the student to apply for a site outside of the school district so as not to delay their degree requirements.

The B.C. Association of Clinical Counsellors offers an information section on their website to assist those searching for clinical supervision and internships.