The Autism Program of Illinois (TAP)
The Hope Institute for Children and Families

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Agency: The Autism Program of Illinois is a statewide network that provides therapy, training, and resources for families and providers. There are currently 16 sites throughout the state, and the Springfield center is a part of the Hope Institute. Services provided at the TAP Springfield site include autism screenings and diagnostics, individual and group therapy, and didactic trainings. There are a variety of internship opportunities here for students completing an undergraduate degree in psychology.

Internship opportunities:

Assessment
- Observe/participate in screenings for autism spectrum disorder
- Observe autism spectrum disorder diagnostics
- Observe/participate in treatment planning assessments

Therapy
- Participate in individual and group therapy
- Assist in planning and developing therapy/resource room materials
- Learn to provide therapy using teaching procedures based on principles of Applied Behavior Analysis (e.g., naturalistic teaching and discrete trial teaching)

Students will participate in a general orientation process that will include some initial lecture-based training. Experiential and lecture-based instruction will be conducted throughout the internship experience.

Hours per week: 10 to 20
Number of weeks: According to university calendar
Depending on clinic schedule, positions may be available for fall, summer, and spring semesters.

Grant Paid Position
(Position is currently offered as Paid; if applications are received after grant money runs out the position will default to Unpaid)