



ACCTA Report for CCTC March 2022

Description and Mission:

- The Association of Counseling Center Training Agencies (ACCTA) is an organization of 186 internship programs in college and university counseling centers across the United States and in Canada. (www.accta.net)
- The mission of ACCTA is to promote excellence in doctoral psychology internship training within university and college counseling centers. Fundamental to our values is appreciation of and support for diversity and the enrichment that an inclusive multicultural community brings to the organization and to training generally.

Updates:

- 1) The 44th annual ACCTA Conference was held virtually on October 5-8, 2021, with October 4 Pre-Conference programming to support new members. Our conference theme was “Margins within the Margins: Invisible Identities We Continue to Miss in Developing our Multicultural Competence”. The keynote speaker was Dr. Angela Kuemmel, who spoke on the topic of Cultural Competence in Disability Culture, Intersectionality, and Allyship, as well as on the Disability Affirming Training Environment. The CCTC Social Responsiveness Toolkit: How to Use it in Practice” was presented as an unopposed session and received very positive feedback from membership.
- 2) We continue to provide regular virtual opportunities for support to membership during COVID – community connection groups, affinity groups based on identity.
- 3) The Great Resignation continues to impact our centers: loss of training staff, including Training Coordinators / Training Directors leaving their positions. This has had impact on the ACCTA Board and other leadership roles within the organization as well.
- 4) Currently no significant change in ACCTA membership numbers but we are aware that some centers have decided to pause their programs. We anticipate a decrease in member programs in the coming years.
- 5) Membership has experienced a wide range of return to work expectations on their campuses – some are fully back in person, some are still fully remote; some are combination, with rotating days on campus. Most centers continue to offer telehealth services to students.

ACCTA is: reviewing its membership criteria; supporting members in doubt of their potential longevity in their Training Director / Coordinator roles; supporting internships to attain and maintain APA accreditation; addressing how issues of diversity and social justice impact psychological practice as well as training in psychology.

Next conference: The 45th annual ACCTA Conference is being planned for September 17-20, 2022 in Seattle, WA.

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Respectfully Submitted by Dr. Cecilia Sun

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