

Child Life United Practicum Program: Philippines

Application Due Date: Feb 7th, 2020



1. Title of program: Child Life Practicum Program: Philippines
2. 100 - 120 hour Practicum (4 weeks/at least 2 rotations)
3. Program dates: June 1st - 26th, 2020
4 weeks (not including travel)
4. Child Life United in partnership with the Kythe Foundation Inc.
(<http://kythe.org/>)

The 4-week practicum consists of rotations. Rotations will include multiple hospitals in Manila (Quezon City) and locations in Cebu and Davao.

The practicum will follow and cover all 6 standards recommended by the Association of Child Life Specialist (as stated below)

Child Life Practicum

The Child Life Practicum is designed as an introductory experience for individuals interested in pursuing a career in child life. Through experiential learning and observation of Certified Child Life Specialists, child life practicum students begin to increase their knowledge of basic child life skills related to play, developmental assessment, and integration of child life theory into interventions with infants, children, youth and families. Child life practicum students will increase their comfort level by interacting with infants, children, youth, and families in stressful situations, health care settings and/or in programs designed for special needs populations. Through these experiences, child life practicum students will enhance their knowledge of the child life

profession and investigate the process of applying child life and developmental theory to practice.

Child Life Practicum Recommended Standards by the Association of Child Life Specialist

(<http://childlife.org/StudentsInternsEducators/PracticumStudents.cfm>)

While the Association of Child Life Specialist (ACLP) does not *require* specific practices or protocols for child life practicums at this time, and child life practicums are not currently accepted to establish eligibility for the Child Life Professional Certification Examination, ACLP encourages child life practicum programs to follow these recommendations set forth in 2013 by the ACLP Practicum Task Force:

Standard #1: The child life practicum is largely an observational experience with child life practicum students beginning to engage in independent play and developmentally supportive interventions with infants, children, youth, and families as deemed appropriate by the supervising CCLS.

Standard # 2: The child life practicum student will be supervised by a Certified Child Life Specialist (CCLS) who has achieved a minimum of 2,000 hours of paid work experience as a child life specialist. The supervising CCLS must be currently practicing in the field of child life; however, the setting of the child life practicum could vary.

Standard #3: The child life practicum encompasses a minimum of 100 supervised hours. The child life practicum experience may include a combination of practicum hours being completed in no more than two different settings given each setting builds upon and strengthens a child life practicum student's continual development and growth as a child life specialist.

Standard #4: Child life practicum hours should be completed in an appropriate setting that provides the child life practicum student with the opportunity to observe and learn from psychosocial interventions that assist infants, children, youth and families experiencing health related or stressful situations. Approved settings can include:

- Hospitals / Medical Centers
- Therapeutic, medical or health related camp settings
- Hospice, grief, or support centers
- Rehabilitation settings

Standard #5: The child life practicum includes observation opportunities for students to explore the following theory and interventions related to child life practice:

- Child life assessments
- Developmental theory integration

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- Therapeutic play interventions
- Rapport building

Standard #6: The child life practicum learning experiences include activities and assignments which allow the child life practicum student to begin to apply and integrate knowledge and theory application for future clinical practice and help to initiate the development of a personal philosophy of child life practice. These learning assignments should include:

- Journaling
- Educational In-services and Discussions
- Specific and Structured Readings

Logistics and Fees

Travel itinerary:

Official Program Dates: June 1 - 26, 2020
(4 weeks – 100/120 practicum hours)

Travel from the student's home country: It is advised that students arrive in Manila, Philippines no later than Saturday, January 4th to allow for a rest day. Required attendance will start at 9am on Monday, June 1st, 2020.

(Extended Travel: If you would like to extend your travel, please do so after the program is complete)

Medical and travel insurance will be required.

Cost:

<u>Self – Funded</u> Each student will be responsible for self-funding their travel, food, sightseeing during free time and accommodation. Medical insurance	<u>Service Agreement Fee</u> Practicum supervisors transportation and accommodation, practicum course work, 1:1 practicum supervision, focused educational experience, administrative cost \$2,400
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Accommodation Suggestions

You are required to find your own accommodation.

Once participants are chosen, Child Life United will connect you to your follow practicum students if you give approval. This would allow for the option of shared cost and group planning (as you see fit).

Transportation

You are responsible for your own transportation while you are in the Philippines. This will include transport to and from sights in Manila and flights to other islands for rotations.

Cebu and Davao are the cities located on different islands where you could have a rotation.

Public transportation and Uber are both available.

Most common source of domestic airline travel in the Philippines

Cebu Pacific: <https://www.cebupacificair.com/en-hk>

Philippines Airlines: <https://www.philippineairlines.com/en>

Visa Information

<https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/country/philippines.html> to have a valid U.S. Passport. Travel visas are required for U.S. citizens who will stay more than 30 days.

U.S. citizens may enter the Philippines for purposes of tourism without a visa if they present:

- a valid U.S. passport and
- a return ticket to the United States or an onward ticket to another country.

Upon your arrival, immigration authorities will stamp an entry visa valid for 30 days on your passport. If you plan to stay longer than 30 days, you must apply for an extension at the Philippine [Bureau of Immigration \(BI\)](#).

If you overstay your visa, you are subject to fines and detention by Philippine immigration authorities.

You may obtain a multiple-entry transit 9(b) visa to permit travel from one country to another via the Philippines. Travelers must receive a transit visa from a Philippine embassy or consulate prior to traveling to the Philippines.

Visit the [Embassy of the Philippines](#) website for information on other types of visas and the most current visa information.

Special requirements exist for the entry of minors who are not accompanied by a parent or legal guardian and who do not possess a valid visa.

Certain foreigners must apply for an [Emigration Clearance Certificate](#) (ECC) from BI before they may depart the Philippines.

The U.S. Department of State is unaware of any HIV/AIDS entry restrictions for visitors to or foreign residents of the Philippines.

Find information on [dual nationality](#), [prevention of international child abduction](#) and [customs regulations](#) on our websites.

(<https://www.tourismphilippines.com.au/search/visa>)

If you're from Australia or New Zealand and travelling as a tourist to the Philippines – good news! You can get a visa on arrival and stay for up to 30 days. However, you must have a passport that's valid for at least 6 months beyond the period of stay in the Philippines, and present a return or outward bound ticket to the next country of destination.

Chinese Nationals, including citizens for Hong Kong and Taiwan, will need a special permit. Indian nationals with a valid U.S., Japanese, Australian, Canadian, Schengen, Singapore, or United Kingdom visa will be granted a 14-day visa free entry which may be extended for an additional 7 days for a maximum stay of 21 days. ***BI Memorandum Circular No. RADJR-12-008.** This only applies to Indian Nationals arriving at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA 1-3) who have the following: (1) National Passport valid at least 6 months, beyond the contemplated stay (2) Return or Onward ticket (3) No derogatory record in BI, NICA, or INTERPOL.

Application Process

Applications are Due February 7, 2020

Application is located on the Child Life United website

www.childlifeunited.org

Direct all questions to Child Life United

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International travel makes web based communication more reliable
(Imessage, WhatsApp, Facebook or LinkedIn messenger or email)

Clinical Supervisor: Marisol is delighted to be part of the Child Life United team as the Practicum Supervisor for the Philippines program June 2020. She has worked in the field since 1995 and has experience in inpatient and outpatient areas. She has been on several medical missions as a CCLS in the Philippines. She finds great joy in accompanying children and their caregivers to seek their own paths towards healing. Helping them unlock their strengths through play, preparation and supporting family center services. She has a heart for aiding students in developing their assessment and intervention skills. In addition to being a CCLS, Marisol is a certified yoga instructor. She has lived in the Philippines for nine years with her family.

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