The clinical psychology program trains you to become a practicing clinical psychologist with core competencies in relational/clinical skills, comprehensive psychological assessment, clinical treatment interventions, research and evaluation, consultation and education, management and supervision, and diversity issues.

Why Clinical Psychology at Florida Tech?
Florida Tech’s clinical psychology program leads to a Psy.D. in clinical psychology, is accredited by the American Psychological Association and offers students training based on a practitioner-scientist model that focuses on the development of clinical practice skills. (Committee of Accreditation, 750 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20002-4242; Phone: (202) 336-5979) The FIT clinical psychology Psy.D. program accepts only 20 students each year. This ensures you will receive a high degree of individual attention and mentoring as well as diverse practicum training and advanced research opportunities through clinical projects. The faculty have achieved national and international prominence in the field of psychology and offer a variety of theoretical orientations and advanced research opportunities.

What to Expect
The program is designed to provide excellent clinical training and research skills, with special elective emphasis areas including neuropsychology, forensic psychology, and child and family psychology. Due to the exclusivity of the program, you will work one-on-one with faculty while creating a lifelong network with fellow classmates.

Clinical training begins in our Community Psychological Services (CPS) center, located on the second floor of The Scott Center for Autism Treatment. Clients come to CPS from the greater Brevard County area presenting with the full spectrum of mental health problems—depression, anxiety, thought disorders, marriage and family issues, developmental disabilities, health problems with emotional components, and others. All ages are served, and supervision is provided by program faculty. After two semesters of supervised practicum in CPS, students move on to advanced practicum in a large variety of health facilities in the area. With faculty consultation, students are able to select practicum sites to expand their experience with certain problems or populations of interest to them.

Faculty
Our clinical psychology program includes faculty who have extensive clinical backgrounds and board certifications in their given specialties. Many of our faculty have served as presidents or members of board of directors of national and international professional organizations and have secured millions of federal and state dollars to support their research.
Research Experiences

PARENT-CHILD INTERACTION THERAPY (PCIT)
Working with children and families with the Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT) model, a nationally recognized empirically validated play therapy treatment, Dr. Felipa Chavez leads a combined clinical/research program proving students with both clinical and research experiences with children and their parents.

THE FATIGUE MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE
Led by Thomas H. Harrell, Ph.D, the Fatigue Management Institute serves as the national focal point for integrating emerging research findings with techniques for the day-to-day management of fatigue associated with various medical disorders. Research is conducted on fatigue and fatigue management interventions. It also provides fatigue management training and disseminated summaries of worldwide research findings related to fatigue.

THE CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
Led by Drs. Kevin Mulligan and Frank Webbe, the Concussion Management Program provides neuropsychological assessment experience and research opportunities to students in the areas of athletic head injury and memory disorders.

THE SCOTT CENTER FOR AUTISM TREATMENT
Students interested in clinical and research experience with children and families within the autism spectrum can work with the clinical and research faculty of The Scott Center for Autism Treatment. The Scott Center offers diagnostic and testing service as well as treatment using behavioral analysis techniques.

Clinical & Research Recap
The clinical psychology program at Florida Tech allows you to conduct research on a variety of topics, ensuring that you have a chance to study topics you are passionate about. Past graduate research includes child and family conflicts; neuropsychological sequela of aging and of sports injuries; chronic fatigue; adaptation to chronic illness; teen suicide and a number of studies related to child and juvenile sex offenders and primary care psychology.

Careers
With your clinical psychology degree, you can provide health care services, go into advocacy or continue on with groundbreaking research. Some specific areas Psy.D. graduates commonly focus on are areas within behavioral medicine, such as clinical neuropsychology, rehabilitation psychology, geropsychology and integrated primary care. Working with families and children is a common goal of our students, as well as forensic psychology.

Research Portal
Want to learn more about the cutting-edge research you can take part in at Florida Tech? Visit our Research Portal and discover something new!
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