



Child Life Practicum Application & Overview

Application Deadlines: Children's Hospital of Michigan follows the internship application deadlines set by the Association of Child Life Professionals for practicum applications. Please visit www.childlife.org for the current deadlines.

Email Applications to:

DMCChildlife@dmc.org

Subject: Practicum Application

For Direct Questions:

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Please note: We are currently only accepting university affiliated students.

Suggested readings prior to or during practicum:

- The Handbook of Child Life by R. Thompson, 2nd Edition (2018)
- Meeting Children's Psychosocial Needs across the Healthcare Continuum (2005)
- Psychosocial Care of Children in Hospitals: A Clinical Practice Manual by L. Gaynard et al (1990)

Stipend: No stipend will be paid to child life practicum students.

Manual fee: If accepted to the practicum program at CHM, there is a \$20 fee for the practicum manual.

Application Check List

To be considered for a practicum at the Children's Hospital of Michigan, an application must contain the following items.

Please note: Incomplete applications or applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

- Children's Hospital of Michigan practicum application
- Practicum application question responses
- Current resume
- Transcripts from all academic institutions. Transcripts may be official or unofficial.



Practicum Application

(Please type all portions of application)

Name:

Date:

Cell Phone:

Email Address:

Permanent Address:

Requested semester: **WINTER** **SUMMER** **FALL**

University:

Academic Advisor:

Academic Advisor Email:

Practicum Application Questions

Question 1: What have you done to prepare yourself for a child life practicum and to learn more about the child life profession?

Question 2: Please describe two experiences you have had working with children. Where did you complete these experiences? What did you learn from each experience? How do you plan to utilize these experiences during your practicum?

Question 3: How can developmental play be utilized in the hospital setting to benefit patients and families?

Question 4: Please describe some of the techniques and tools a child life specialist may use to empower a child and family in the hospital setting.

Question 5: What skills do you hope to develop during the course of your practicum experience that will best prepare you for the child life internship?

Question 6: What is your idea of a successful child life practicum experience?

Question 7: What is your learning style and what qualities do you feel an ideal supervisor possesses?