

## **Past Students' Practicum Advice:**

Start looking for internships at the beginning of the semester

Keep up with logs, keep up with log, keep up with logs.....

Be flexible with your site – they might hire you later!

Do more than just the minimum on your site

Set goals when you make out your contract with your supervisors

Focus on the experience and don't fret over perfect tapes

Be open in prac class to feedback

Keep copies of everything

Ask questions!

Work on getting your tapes from the beginning

Trust that you have more to learn and stay open

Shadow if you need to the first few days

Keep up with case notes

Try whatever you are fearful of attempting – thought I'd never like to work with kids

Keep up with the portfolio!!

Make a reference list of professionals you meet

Take notes when you are learning onsite info

Keep up with your time and logs daily!

Be proactive

Introduce yourself and carry yourself professionally

Dress professionally for the setting

Negotiate breaks on the forefront!!!! They may think you are staying

Don't panic over tapes – it's time lost

Be clear about your site's expectations and dates and deadlines for evaluations

**BALANCE and TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF!**