# SONHP Program Evaluation Committee 2020-2021 Annual Program Evaluation Report

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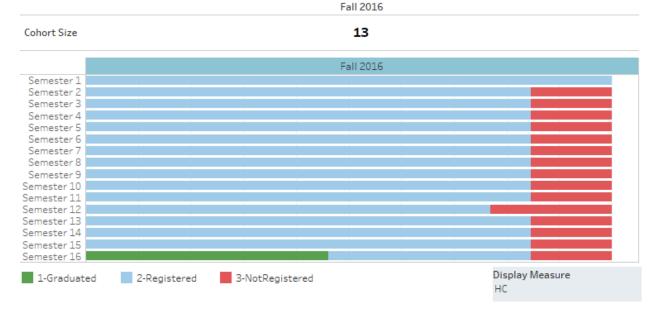
Terms Included: Fall 2020, Spring 2021 and Summer 2021

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#### 1. Aggregate Student Outcomes

#### a. Retention and Graduation rates

The Clinical Psychology PsyD Program, which accepted its inaugural students (Cohort 1) in Fall 2013, is a 5 year program; the first 4 years of the program are completed at the hilltop campus of USF and the 5<sup>th</sup> year of the program is a full-time clinical internship completed at another institution, typically a hospital or community mental health clinic, identified through a national selection process that occurs during the student's 4<sup>th</sup> year in the program. Cohort 4 matriculated in Fall 2016 and, if they completed the program in 5 years, would graduate in Summer 2021. The cohort was made up of 13 students. A total of 2 students left the program at the end of the first semester and the remaining 11 students remained enrolled in the program in 2021. Therefore, the PsyD Program's retention rate is 84.6% for students due to graduate during Summer 2021. Of these students, six (54.5%) graduated in 2021. Of the remaining five students, four are completing their clinical psychology predoctoral internship and completing their dissertation, and one will be starting their clinical internship in Summer of 2022.



#### b. Time to Degree

The average time to degree of the students who graduated during the 2020-2021 (n = 14) academic year was 5.7 years, which is below the national average of 6+ years. The Clinical Psychology PsyD program is designed to be completed in five years, which is typical of Clinical Psychology doctoral programs nationally. Reasons for the slightly

longer time to degree for students who graduated during the 2020-2021 academic year include students extending their time to complete their clinical dissertation, desire to complete additional clinical training, or other personal circumstances that resulted in leaves of absence.

|   | Time to Degree                            | by "Exit Cohort"                             |   |
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| Average number of semsters from admission to graduation  BSN - Hilltop: Fall/Spring Semesters are included (e.g. 8 semesters = 4 year)  All other: Fall/Spring/Summer Semesters are included (e.g. 6 semesters = 2 years) |   |  | Each cell shows<br>Average Semesters<br>(average Years - Headcount) |
|   |   |  |   |
|   | Academic Year of Graduation (Fall-Summer) |  |   |
| Entry Major Group   | 2020-21                                   |  |   |
| PSYD - Psychology   |   | <b>17.1 Sem.</b><br>Yrs:5.7 - HC: 14         |   |
| Grand Total   |   | <b>17.1 Sem.</b><br>Yrs:5.7 - HC: <b>1</b> 4 |   |

## c. Academic Progression Requirements

The Doctoral Comprehensive Qualifying Exam (DCQE) is a multiple-choice exam—that is administered during year 3 of the Clinical Psychology PsyD program. This exam assesses student competency in abnormal psychology, clinical psychology, ethics and professional issues, lifespan development, physiological psychology, psychological assessment, statistics and research design, diversity, community psychology, and social psychology. Students must receive a passing score in all domains of 60% or higher in order to pass the exam. If a student fails one or more domains, they are given the opportunity to retake a remediation essay exam for the failed domains. If student fails the remediation essay exams, they have a 3<sup>rd</sup> opportunity to retake a different version of the multi-choice exam for the failed domains. If student fails the third attempt of the exam, they are recommended for disqualification of the Clinical Psychology PsyD program.

Below are the outcomes of the exam for the 2020-2021 academic year:

Number of students who took the exam: 9

Number of students who successfully passed all domains after the first attempt: 2 Number of students who completed essay remediations for one or more domains: 7 Number of students who successfully completed the essay remediation: 5 Number of students who completed a 3<sup>rd</sup> multiple choice remediation: 2 Number of students who successfully completed the 3<sup>rd</sup> remediation: 2

All 9 students who took the exam successfully completed it (78% after remediation).

#### d. Licensure and Certification Rates

Graduates of the Clinical Psychology PsyD program are expected to obtain a psychology license in order to practice psychology in their state. Of the 9 2020-2021 graduates, a total of 44% have obtained their license. The remaining graduates are in the process of

obtaining their license. Graduates typically receive their psychology license 1-3 years after graduation due to varying post-doctoral training and state requirements.

### 2. Assessment of Student Learning

a. What aspect of student learning in your program did you assess?

The PsyD program was not able to assess student learning outcomes during the 2020-2021 academic year due to the impact of the global pandemic on program resources and priorities.

How did you measure it?

N/A

b. What were the results?

N/A

c. What changes to the assessment methodology will you make if/when you evaluate this aspect of student learning again in the future?

N/A

d. What changes to curriculum or programming did you make (or are you planning to make) in light of these results?

N/A