



Supportive Housing In Peel

SHIP is a mental health agency providing safe, affordable housing for people with mental illness for nearly 30 years. Our mission is to optimize quality of life through community-based housing and mental health services. We are dedicated to ensuring that our community has these essential services available to them for their mental and physical well-being.

In the past year, SHIP has served 859 clients and our waiting list has grown to over 1,215 potential candidates. We are continuously striving to expand our capacity to provide housing and mental health services in the Peel community, while remaining a client-driven and client-focused organization.

Student Placements

SHIP is actively involved in providing placement opportunities to undergraduate social service students looking to gain valuable hands-on experience within a professional setting. Students become part of a dynamic environment that emphasizes learning and collaboration and are continuously provided with opportunities to expand their knowledge, communication skills and critical thinking abilities.

Field placements at SHIP allow students to actively participate in day-to-day operations, help service clients, and observe social services procedures and practices, all under the guidance of a trained staff member. Our learning-based approach also allow students to take on tasks of increasing complexity as progress is made within each placement semester, thus building experience at multiple levels. All requests for additional information regarding Student Placement opportunities at SHIP are handled through the Human Resources Department.

Goals of Placement

- Increase awareness of values and ethics related to the human-services field.
- Identify with roles, duties and responsibilities of a full-time practitioner.
- Understand SHIP's mandate and programs, alongside the needs of the diverse client population we serve.

- Recognize areas of strength and identify areas for improvement to support personal growth and development.
- Gain experience and competency in a social service setting as preparation for full-time work.

Placement Requirements

- Third or fourth year student enrolled in an undergraduate social services program within an accredited university.
- Must adhere to standards of professional behaviour for the social service profession.
- Capable of self-directed learning, taking initiative and giving/taking directions.
- Communicate effectively with clients and staff in a professional manner.

Contact

All candidates interested in joining SHIP's student placement program should have their university's faculty advisor forward a resume and cover letter to hr@shipshey.ca indicating in the subject line "Student Placement Requests".