

ADVANCED CAREER SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST OPTION

School Psychologists who qualify for the Advanced Career Option must submit a Curriculum Vitae and Professional Statement and a narrative placing their work in context. In addition, the Advanced Career Candidate **MUST** include one or more substantial professional publications demonstrating scholarship pertinent to the practice of school psychology (assessment, interventions, consultations, or supervision/teaching/management). In addition to publications with potential to advance the field, Advanced Candidates should provide information reflecting more distinctive practice patterns resulting from extended professional experience, e.g., areas of consultation; contracted service responsibilities; special grants; program administration/supervision; Continuing Professional Education program presentations).

Please note that taped assessment, intervention, consultation, or supervision/management practice samples are NOT required but are permitted.

NARRATIVE

Written descriptions to accompany both Practice Samples should address the following:

- The client(s) or population, context, background and problem
- Time frame and nature of contacts
- Background events necessary to understand the sample and your work
- *Goals and objectives of your work*
- A clear rationale for your procedures and evaluation of effectiveness
- The status of the situation at the time you prepared your sample
- If applicable, the manner in which issues of diversity or individual differences are addressed in your sample
- The way(s) in which confidentiality is addressed, including consent forms
- Explain how you identified and formulated the problem(s), your plan for intervention, how you implemented your plan, and your evaluation of the outcome.
- Describe the procedures that you used and your rationale for choosing them.
- Describe the populations that you serve and their characteristics and how the practice sample is representative of the typical populations you serve.
- Explain how the sample illustrates the depth and range of knowledge relevant to your practice.
- Explain how your practice maintains accountability for integrity and incorporates principles of best practice.
- Describe and explain the elements of problem solving that are typical of your work, and the linkages that occur between assessment, intervention, consultation and evaluation.
- Explain how your sample incorporated current scientific theory and evidence

CURRICULUM VITAE

All practice samples must include the Curriculum Vitae detailing the Candidate's professional contributions. The Curriculum Vitae must include educational and training background, professional roles and responsibilities, and professional contributions (e.g., service activities, publications, presentations, grants).

PROFESSIONAL STATEMENT

As an elaboration of the facts and dates provided in the application form and Curriculum Vitae, the candidate submits a professional statement with the practice samples. This statement, of about five double spaced type-written pages, is an opportunity for candidates to communicate with the committee about how they view their practice in school psychology and should serve as a basis for the discussion in the opening portion of the oral examination. The Professional Statement should address fully, but not be limited to, the questions listed below. Candidates' information regarding theoretical orientation and expertise should be congruent with their actions throughout the examination process.

- A. Describe current professional practice and its place within the specialty.
- B. Highlight those aspects of training or post doctoral experiences that have been most helpful to you in your present career.
- C. What theoretical orientation has most influenced the candidate's work? Identify major theorists in the chosen orientation? If eclectic, please discuss two to three major theories.
- D. Describe continuing education activities. Workshops attended or other training taken in the last one to two years? What journals or articles have you found to be especially stimulating?
- E. Are there any psychological functions that you provide on a pro bono basis?
- F. What are your future professional goals?
- G. Why do you want to become Board Certified in School Psychology?
- H. Give one or two examples of handling complex interpersonal interactions that you have encountered.
- I. Describe a meaningful and challenging ethical dilemma personally encountered, the aspect of the APA Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct pertinent to the dilemma, and how the dilemma was managed

- J. Verify that no ethical/legal action has been taken against the Candidate since candidacy.

FORM D-6: ADVANCED PSYCHOLOGIST PRACTICE SAMPLE OPTION

	ADVANCED Practice Sample Option – Title
	Three copies of Curriculum Vitae
	Three copies of Professional Statement
	Three copies of Pertinent Materials – publications such as book chapters, journal articles or other major works accompanied by narrative
	Three copies of Optional Practice Sample - reflect distinctive practice patterns and accompanied by a narrative
	\$250 Practice Sample fee submitted to ABPP Central Office

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