



CHILD LIFE STUDENT PRACTICUM APPLICATION
A PRE-INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Dear Student,

We are pleased that you are interested in the child life practicum, a pre-internship experience at Huntsville Hospital. We accept four practicum students for the summer term.

The completed application packet will include the following:

- Completed application
- Current copy of academic transcript (unofficial)
- Completion of one or more classes that explore child life in some fashion (e.g. introduction to child life, hospitalized child, loss and bereavement, play, etc.)
 - transcript is sufficient proof; class can be in progress

Application and supporting documents must be received by the deadline: **January 5**, via email: HHChildLife@gmail.com.

The practicum session is held during the month of **June**. Orientation is held a week before the practicum session begins. Please be aware that students will be shadowing a Certified Child Life Specialist following a full-time work schedule. Along with observation hours, students will be expected to complete assignments equivalent to the workload of one class.

Following review of your completed application, you may be contacted for an interview.

If you have questions, please contact me at michelle.mathews@hhsys.org or 256-265-7969.

Sincerely,

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Name	
Address	
City	Zip
Email Address	Phone Number
Emergency Contact	Phone Number
<input type="checkbox"/> Affiliated Student <input type="checkbox"/> Non-affiliated Student	I am applying for Summer _____ (year)
College/University <input type="checkbox"/> Current <input type="checkbox"/> Graduated	
Major	Minor
Academic Advisor	Title
Address	
Email Address	Phone Number
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Please answer the essay questions below:

1) Tell us about your experiences that would help guide you in this pre-internship opportunity.
(approximately 200 words)

2) How did you become interested in the child life field? (approximately 200 words)

3) What can child life specialists provide for children and families in the healthcare setting?
(approximately 200 words)

Please use a separate page if necessary.