

Baylor College of Medicine

NEUROPSYCHOLOGY FELLOWSHIP

MEET OUR TEAM

















Michele K. York, Ph.D., ABPP-CN, FACRM is a Board-certified Neuropsychologist, a Professor of Neurology, and Psychiatry and Section Head and Director of Training of Neuropsychology in the Department of Neurology at Baylor College of Medicine. She is also the Neuropsychologist for the Parkinson's Disease Research Education and Clinical Center at the VA. Dr. York earned a master's degree and doctorate in Clinical Psychology from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN. Her extensive training includes an internship in Clinical Psychology/Neuropsychology and a postdoctoral fellowship in Neuropsychology at BCM. Dr. York's clinical specialties include neuropsychological evaluation of adults with movement disorders, including patients with deep brain stimulation, and the differential diagnosis of dementias.

Adriana Macias Strutt, Ph.D., ABPP-CN is a Board certified Neuropsychologist, an Associate Professor of Neurology and Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, and Director of the Spanish/Cross-Cultural Fellowship at Baylor College of Medicine. Dr. Strutt earned her masters and doctorate from Loma Linda University and completed an internship and clinical fellowship at BCM. Dr. Strutt founded Taquitos de Sesos, an international online didactic program. She specializes in the evaluation of bilingual and monolingual Spanish-speaking patients. She is the neuropsychologist for the Tourette Center of Excellence, conducts pre-surgical evaluations for patients diagnosed with epilepsy and movement disorders, and assesses for differential diagnoses of dementia. Moreover, she is involved in clinical research and forensic work.

Stephen R. McCauley, Ph.D., is a Clinical Neuropsychologist and Associate Professor in the Departments of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Neurology, and Pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine, and Director of the ECCOS (Embracing Cultural Competence in Outpatient Settings) Clinic. Dr. McCauley earned his master's degree in Psychology and doctorate specifically in Clinical Neuropsychology from the University of Houston. His training includes an internship in Clinical Psychology/Neuropsychology in the Henry Ford Hospital System in Detroit, Ml. Dr. McCauley's research experience and clinical interests include traumatic brain injury in children, adult, and Veteran populations, neuroimaging,cross-cultural neuropsychology, and psychometrics/measurement development.

Jennifer M. Stinson, Ph.D., ABPP-CN is a Clinical Neuropsychologist and Assistant Professor within the Department of Neurology at Baylor College of Medicine. She received her doctorate in Counseling Psychology from the University of Houston and completed her predoctoral internship and Clinical Neuropsychology Fellowship at the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center. As a clinician, she has the opportunity to work with interdisciplinary teams to help ensure patients and their families receive the best care possible. Two areas of clinical specialty include working with patients diagnosed with epilepsy and patients diagnosed with dementia. Her research interests include the prevention, evaluation, and treatment of caregiver stress in addition to predicting post-operative outcomes in epilepsy surgical patients.

Ana Linda Diaz-Santos, Psy.D., is a second-year Spanish/Cross-Cultural Adult Neuropsychology fellow in the Department of Neurology at BCM. She completed her B.S. in social sciences with a minor in psychology from Universidad del Turabo, Gurabo, Puerto Rico. She completed her M.S. in psychology with a concentration in applied health sciences from Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida and her Psy.D. in Clinical Psychology from Albizu University in Miami, Florida. Her dissertation was titled: "Two Novel Memory Measures and their Association with Cortical Thickness in Older Adults at Risk for Alzheimer's Disease." Her clinical interests include: neuropsychological assessment of Spanish-speaking individuals, neurodegenerative disorders in Hispanics/Latinos, specifically Alzheimer's disease, and assessment of language ("brain mapping") in bilingual or primarily Spanish speaking patients undergoing brain surgery.

Samantha K. Henry, Ph.D., is a second-year Adult Neuropsychology fellow in the Department of Neurology at Baylor College of Medicine. She completed her B.S. in Psychology with concurrent minors in English, Criminal Justice, and African-American Studies and graduated with honors from the University of Connecticut. She completed her M.A. and Ph.D. in Medical/Clinical Psychology from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. She completed her pre-doctoral clinical internship in the Adult Neuropsychology track at the University of Chicago. Her dissertation was entitled, "Relationship between Frustration Tolerance and Psychological Self-Regulatory Mechanisms in Weight Loss Maintenance." Her clinical interests include neurocognitive assessment of patients with neurodegenerative conditions, adults with chronic illness, and individuals from culturally diverse aging populations, as well as pre-surgical evaluation of candidates for neurosurgical intervention and forensic assessment.

Victoria Windham, M.A., CSP is is a Senior Psychometrician in the department of Neurology at Baylor College of Medicine. She received both her B.S. in Psychology with honors and her M.A. in Clinical Psychology from Sam Houston State University. Her graduate practica were at an inpatient facility for adjudicated youth where she facilitated group counseling, as well as an inpatient facility for TBI populations where she administered various neuropsychological measures. After graduation, she worked to provide in-home and community-based psychosocial rehabilitation services to rural individuals with psychotic and/or mood disorders. In June 2015, she joined Baylor College of Medicine. Her research interests include the role of social economic status in cognitive performance outcomes among MCI and Alzheimer's disease populations, psychometrics/measurement development, and cross-cultural neuropsychology.

Victoria Armendariz, M.S. is a Psychometrician in the department of Neurology. She received her B.A. in Psychology and M.S. in Applied Cognition and Neuroscience from Houston Baptist University and UT Dallas, respectively. Prior to joining BCM, she worked as a research assistant focusing on child language, cognitive, and social-emotional development through the facilitation of parent intervention programs among low SES and varied clinical populations. Her research interests include early detection of neurodegenerative diseases, the interrelatedness of culture and cognitive aging among Hispanics/Latinos, and test development for Spanish-speaking populations.

ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

The Neuropsychology Section in the Department of Neurology at Baylor College of Medicine is located in the middle of the world's largest medical center, the Texas Medical Center in Houston, Texas. Baylor is part owner of Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center, part of the CHI St. Luke's Health System, and has hospital affiliations with: Harris Health System, Texas Children's Hospital, The University of Texas, MD Anderson Cancer Center and Health Sciences Center, Memorial Hermann - The Institute for Rehabilitation and Research, Menninger Clinic, the Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center, and Children's Hospital of San Antonio.

At Baylor College of Medicine, Neuropsychology is an integral part of many interdisciplinary teams across several specialties, including ALS, DBS, Alzheimer's disease and memory disorders, MS, and epilepsy. This allows us to train our learners to be future leaders in the field who are comfortable communicating across disciplines. We work with professionals in neurology, neurosurgery, psychiatry, PM&R, internal medicine, and geriatrics. The diversity of our patient population allows for depth and breadth of training and also exposes trainees to exciting developments that may occur in treatments and interventions of various syndromes. The Neuropsychology Team is extremely collaborative and works together to create new opportunities for our section and our learners to continuously grow and meet the evolving needs of our patients.

Our structured two-year postdoctoral fellowship in clinical neuropsychology prepares fellows to function as independent scientist-clinicians and provides an advanced comprehensive training opportunity for fellows to gain competence in adult neuropsychological assessment, feedback sessions, and multi-disciplinary team consultations. Our program offers two distinct fellowship tracks: the *General Adult Neuro-psychology Fellowship* and the *Spanish/Cross Cultural Fellowship*.

CLINICAL OPPORTUNITIES

Neuropsychology fellows have the opportunity to evaluate a variety of patients with neurological and neurosurgical conditions. Fellows in clinical neuropsychology are involved in direct patient care in an outpatient academic setting with referrals from the Parkinson's disease and Movement Disorders Center, the Alzheimer's Disease and Memory Disorders Center, General Neurology, the Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Association Clinic, the Maxine Mesinger Multiple Sclerosis Clinic, the Epilepsy clinic, the Neurocritical Care Section, Primary Care/Family Medicine, Psychiatry, and numerous community Neurology practices. Responsibilities include clinical assessment and consultation, feedback sessions, participation in multi-disciplinary team meetings for Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS), Alzheimer's disease, epilepsy surgery, and Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), as well as ongoing research. Neuropsychology fellows will observe DBS and epilepsy surgeries, and will participate in stimulation mapping and corticography as part of their multi-disciplinary training.

The Spanish/Cross-Cultural Neuropsychology specialty training program will provide the fellow with the opportunity to learn to conduct culturally and linguistically tailored neuropsychological assessments. Via neurocognitive evaluations of monolingual and bilingual Spanish-speakers with a myriad of neurological and psychiatric conditions, the fellow will have the opportunity to learn about and implement various assessment tools, testing techniques, and normative data sets and better understand the influence of sociodemographic variables on Westernized neuropsychological practices and outcome measures. The fellow will receive training in stimulation mapping, Wadas and corticography for Spanish-speakers. Responsibilities include clinical assessment and consultation, feedback sessions with a health literacy component, participation in multi-disciplinary team meetings (Deep Brain Stimulation, Alzheimer's disease, and epilepsy surgery), as well as ongoing research. The fellow will also have the opportunity for formal assessment of their Spanish language skills for documentation of language mastery as a medical provider. Spanish proficiency is required for this position and coursework or experience in the neuropsychological assessment of Spanish speakers is preferred.

EDUCATIONAL AND RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

Fellows participate in a wide array of medical center didactics including Neurology and Psychiatry Grand Rounds, weekly Baylor Neuropsychology Seminars, and monthly cross-cultural neuropsychology didactics (Taquitos de Sesos). Fellows also have the opportunity to enroll in a functional neuroanatomy course through Baylor. Participation in the neuroanatomy course provides the fellow with comprehensive, in-depth training in neuroanatomy through participation in wet lab dissection, as well as a regular lecture series with case examples of neurological syndromes. Fellows are encouraged to observe DBS lead implantation and epilepsy and tumor resection surgeries.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

Neuropsychology Fellows will work primarily at the McNair Campus, home to the Baylor College of Medicine Medical Center which is occupied by 16 adult practices. The facility is located on a 35-acre tract adjacent to the DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center and in close proximity to the Texas Medical Center. During the COVID-19 pandemic, BCM Neuropsychology led the way in Houston in adapting our clinical practice to provide safe and socially distanced neuropsychological evaluations for our vulnerable populations. We continue to provide services through virtual at home and in clinic webcam based platforms and safety for our patients and learners is our top priority.

Neuropsychology fellows attend minor rotations once a week in other settings in the Texas Medical Center that provide neuropsychological services based on the interests of the fellow and site availability. Rotations previously selected include The University of Texas, MD Anderson Cancer Center and Health Sciences Center, The Institute for Research and Rehabilitation, and Texas Children's Hospital.

At the McNair Campus, the Neuropsychology section has four dedicated testing rooms in addition to space for administrative activities. Fellows are provided with their own cubicle space, computer, and telephone, along with necessary office supplies. There is access to the Texas Medical Center Library Services, which includes online journal access. Fellows also have the opportunity to work with patients at Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center, via surgical observations, observerships, and interdisciplinary team meetings.

The BCM Neuropsychology Section is a fast-paced environment that is ever-changing. Fellows will have the chance to tailor their training for them and their goals.









SALARY AND BENEFITS

Stipend and benefits are competitive with similar training programs nationally and consistent with BCM personnel policies. The salary for all Neuropsychology Fellows is set at the NIH stipend level of \$52,704 annually for all Fellows at BCM.

Neuropsychology Fellows are required to complete two years of full-time supervised training (4,000 hours total). Regular work hours are from 8:00am-5:00pm, Monday through Friday, except for BCM holidays. Fellows receive 15 days of vacation per academic year. They also receive one day of floating time off (FTO) per quarter. Fellows are entitled to 12 days of paid sick leave each academic year. Sick days are credited at the beginning of each academic year and are available for use when sick throughout the academic year. BCM will provide limited support for research endeavors including travel to present at INS in your second year.

PLACEMENT DESCRIPTIONS

* Due to COVID-19 restrictions at other institutions, external rotations may not be available. We will make every effort to provide external rotations for our fellows in safe environments.

Primary Placement: Baylor College of Medicine

Director of Training: Michele York, Ph.D., ABPP-CN Contact: myork@bcm.edu; 713-798-8673 Adriana M. Strutt, Ph.D., ABPP-CN, Stephen McCauley, Ph.D., and Jenny Stinson, Ph.D., ABPP-CN

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ECCOS: The focus of the ECCOS Clinic (Embracing Cultural Competence in Outpatient Settings) is to provide empirically-grounded specialized training in culturally and linguistically appropriate neuropsychological assessments. Patients seen through the ECCOS clinic include those who speak languages other than English and Spanish and historically have included a variety of languages including Arabic, Farsi, Gujarati, Hebrew, Mandarin/Cantonese, Portuguese, Thai, Urdu, and Vietnamese. Training in interpreter-mediated neuropsychological assessment is included in this experience as well as culturally-based training materials to foster establishing and maintaining an examiner-examinee relationship that respects cultural and lifestyle practices to improve outcomes in these typically underserved communities.

Community Outreach Placement: Houston Area Parkinson Society (HAPS)

Executive Director: Cathleen Crist, LMSW

This is an exciting novel fellowship placement that strives to create partners in service to the community by training neuropsychologists who not only are dedicated to clinical and scientific excellence, but also have developed compassion and understanding of the populations that they serve. The Neuropsychology section has partnered with the Houston Area Parkinson Society (HAPS), a non-profit organization that serves, educates and advocates for those affected by Parkinson's disease in our community. Founded in 1974, HAPS provides comprehensive services to eight counties in metropolitan Houston, with an estimated population of more than 6 million people. HAPS offers over 40 weekly exercise, water, music and speech therapy groups in addition to tai chi, tango, yoga, dance, singing and non-contact boxing classes that are made available by HAPS free of charge. Our fellows will provide community outreach activities through HAPS on a recurring basis throughout their two-year fellowship. Community outreach activities may include but are not limited to (based on the fellows interests): leading a manualized group cognitive rehabilitation executive functioning program, co-leading support groups, providing educational presentations to patients and caregivers, developing educational materials, and providing individual therapy

MINOR ROTATIONS

External Rotation Sites

TIRR Memorial Hermann

Mark Sherer, Ph.D., Petya Demireva, Ph.D.

TIRR is a large rehabilitation hospital affiliated with both UT-H and BCM, and with opportunities to work with patients in an inpatient, a day treatment program, and an outpatient assessment setting. Patient populations include predominantly stroke, TBI, anoxic brain injury, and spinal cord injury. Additional patients may present with specialty rehabilitation needs, such as limb loss, MS, Guillain-Barre syndrome, and others. At the hospital, most clinical work involves serial assessment of inpatients with brief bedside tests or serial monitoring to determine length of PTA, but the fellow can also be involved in multidisciplinary rounds, co-treating with other disciplines, and facilitating psychoeducational or treatment groups for patients and families. Additional opportunities may include experiences at The Challenge Program, which is a day treatment Brain Injury program aimed at community reintegration, where neuropsychology is involved in assessment, delivery of cognitive rehabilitation interventions on an individual and group basis, and provision of brief psychotherapy to aid with adjustment and coping or behavioral problems. Although the majority of our staff neuropsychologists and psychologists work with adults, some opportunities to gain experience performing outpatient assessments and intervention with pediatric patients may be available.

The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, Department of Neuro-Oncology

Mariana E. Bradshaw, PhD, ABPP-CN, Director of Training; Jeffrey S. Wefel, PhD, ABPP-CN, Section Chief

The MD Anderson Cancer Center is a large multidisciplinary academic medical institution, and the Section of Neuropsychology runs an active consultation-liaison service that receives consult requests from every clinical division in the institute. Approximately 50% of the patients referred have a known structural brain lesion (e.g., primary or metastatic brain tumor) for which we perform preoperative fMRI, pre and post-operative neuropsychological assessments, longitudinal evaluation of cognitive, behavioral, emotional and functional well-being, and offer management and intervention strategies; the other 50% of patients are referred for assessment of traditional adult neuro-medical disorders and provision of management and intervention strategies (e.g., dementia, seizure disorders, stroke, psychological and psychiatric comorbidities, cancer and cancer therapy neurotoxicities, discharge and return to work planning, driving evaluations, capacity evaluations, behavioral management, compensatory and restorative intervention approaches).

Neuropsychology didactic experiences such as a weekly presentations (lectures, case conferences, etc.), in addition to access to the numerous didactic experiences offered at UTMDACC such as the Neuro-Oncology Core Curriculum Lecture and multidisciplinary Tumor Board are also available, schedules permitting.

Houston Neuropsychology Associates, PLLC

Darci Morgan, Ph.D., ABPP-CN, Jerome S. Caroselli, Ph.D., ABPP-CN, Lynne C. Davis, Ph.D., ABPP-CN, Claudia V. Resen-diz, Ph.D., and Robert N. Davis, Ph.D., ABPP-CN

Houston Neuropsychology Associates, PLLC is a well-established private practice with a history of training graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. The majority of our patients are adults referred by area neurologists to assist with differential diagnosis and treatment planning. The patient population is broad in terms of problem type and demographics consistent with Houston's multicultural makeup. Typical evaluations facilitate the identification of cognitive impairment and most likely cause(s), help distinguish between neurologic and psychogenic conditions, or define the extent of cognitive impairment among persons already diagnosed with a neurologic disease or other acquired brain damage. There are currently five neuropsychologists in our group, four of whom are board certified, and one of whom (Dr. Resendiz) is a native Spanish speaker and conducts assessments of Spanish-speaking adults and bilingual individuals. Opportunities exist for bilingual postdoctoral residents to work with her on such assessments.

NEW EXTERNAL ROTATIONS

McGovern Medical School at The University of Texas Health Science Center, Department of Neurology, Division of Neuropsychology

Bethany R. Williams, Ph.D., Director of the Division of Neuropsychology and Director of Fellowship Training, Christina Burrows, Ph.D., Agu Rossetti, Ph.D., and Stella Kim, Psy.D.

At The University of Texas Health Science Center, Division of Neuropsychology, fellows have the opportunity to provide comprehensive assessments of adults with a range of neurocognitive disorders as well as emotional or psychological conditions that contribute to cognitive dysfunction. The Division of Neuropsychology at UTHSC provides group interventions within three clinical services: (a) Brain Health and Cognitive Training Group for Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI); (b) cognitive- behavioral therapy for patients with Non-epileptic Seizures (PNES); and (c) Cognitive behavioral therapy for insomnia (CBT-I). Fellows may be assigned to one or two of the programs. Over the course of the rotations, fellows will learn, deliver, and evaluate manualized group interventions. Fellows also have the opportunity to conduct brief neuropsychological evaluations for the Huntington's disease (HD) program as part of the patient's interdisciplinary visit. Also integral to the rotation is the provision of feedback to patients and families, with the goal of providing education about the cognitive impact of HD, recommendations regarding potential interventions, and supportive strategies for managing neurobehavioral changes. Fellows will also have the opportunity to shadow other disciplines and participate in ongoing research projects through the HD program.

Texas Children's Hospital Neuropsychology Division, Department of Psychology

Marsha N. Gragert, Ph.D., ABPP-CN

Interested fellows will have an opportunity to complete a minor rotation in pediatric neuropsychology through the Neuropsychology Service of Texas Children's Hospital (TCH), which is the largest children's hospital in the United States and the primary teaching/training center for the Baylor College of Medicine's (BCM) Department of Pediatrics. TCH was designated by U.S. News and World Report in 2018-2019 for Honor Roll status in pediatrics, ranking 4th overall. The client population served through the TCH Neuropsychology Service represents a wide range of conditions within primary and specialized pediatric medicine. Common conditions seen include leukemia, brain tumors, sickle cell disease, stroke, epilepsy, demyelinating disorders, traumatic brain injury, organ failure and transplantation, bone marrow transplantation, cochlear implantation, HIV, diabetes, lupus, genetic disorders, autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders, ADHD, psychiatric disorders, learning disabilities, and other neurological or systemic medical conditions. This advanced minor rotation is limited to fellows who have had previous assessment experience with children.

Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center, Department of PM&R, Inpatient Rehabilitation Angelle Sander, Ph.D.

The Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PM&R) Department at Baylor College of Medicine provides inpatient neuropsychological services within a multidisciplinary rehabilitation team at the newly opened BCM St. Luke's Hospital. Fellows will have an opportunity to work within an acute rehabilitation setting with individuals who have had strokes, traumatic brain injuries, brain tumor resections or other neurological insults or injuries.

BCM Cerebro Exchange Program

BCM Cerebro Exchange program is a one-week clinical observation and training fellowship exchange program with bilingual programs in Texas and across the country. The schedule includes supervision, observation of several clinical cases, assigned readings, and introduction to the visiting institution's culture and communities. Fellow will engage in daily supervision and record review and be expected to assist in developing a plan for test administration procedures with their assigned supervisor. Duties will include assistance in scoring protocols, as well as participation in case conceptualization. Fellow may be asked to write a portion of the clinical documentation as determined by the supervisor. Assignment of a deliverable prior to this rotation will be determined in conjunction with Dr. Adriana M. Strutt and the visiting site's supervisor.





INTERNAL SPECIALTY CLINICS

In addition to exposure to a variety of patient populations through general clinical duties, Fellows have the option of creating specialized training opportunities within the Department of Neurology. These internal clinical rotations allow for in-depth training surrounding a particular syndrome, in-cluding shadowing specialty providers, attending interdisciplinary meetings, and conducting spe-cialized evaluations.

ALS Clinic

This specialty clinic will be conducted in conjunction with the ALS Association of Houston. The ALS Multi-disciplinary Clinic at BCM was established in 2005. It offers a multidisciplinary approach to treating the disease with symptomatic relief, prevention of complications, and maintenance of optimal independence. Through the assistance of a qualified ALS specialty team, families have the opportunity to receive the best available medical and therapeutic care in one location. The clinic was certified as a Center of Excellence through the ALS Association in 2006. The clinic follows 80 to 90 patients annually.

Alzheimer's Disease and Memory Disorders Clinic

This specialty rotation will be conducted in conjunction with the Alzheimer's Disease and Memory Disorders Clinic (ADMDC) in the BCM Department of Neurology. Each year, the ADMDC manages more than 3,000 patient visits. People come to the Center for diagnosis of their memory problems, treatment and disease management, and to participate in clinical research studies. The ADMDC's approach to patient care is comprehensive and addresses the needs of both the patient and the family. Following diagnosis, patients and their family members are seen regularly to ensure continuous monitoring and treatment of disease progression, and to discuss the most recent developments in therapeutics and research. The ADMDC has a clinical psychologist who provides counseling, support, education, and referral services for each patient and family at the time of their initial visit, at all annual follow-ups, and on an as needed basis.

Deep Brain Stimulation

This minor rotation will be conducted in conjunction with the Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Clinic (PDMDC) in the BCM Department of Neurology. The PDMDC has long been recog-nized as one of the world's leading clinical and research institutions focused on Parkinson's disease and related movement disorders. The Tourette Center of Excellence is also part of the PDMDC. The Clinic provides an unparalleled setting for treatment, research and education, with the ultimate goal of finding a cause and a cure for Parkinson's disease and related disorders. The Clinic's 15,000 patient visits per year and database of more than 30,000 patients provide a powerful teaching and research resource for effective recruitment into various clinical trials and other clinical research projects.

Epilepsy Specialty Rotation

This specialty rotation will be conducted in conjunction with the Baylor Comprehensive Epilepsy Center within the BCM Department of Neurology. This rotation includes the opportunity to evaluate patients presenting with a wide range of epileptic syndromes and comorbid conditions. The focus of the rotation will be evaluating surgical candidates, including participation in intraoperative interventions. For those Fellows who are Spanish-speaking, pre and post-surgical evaluations for Spanish-speaking patients is possible.

Multiple Sclerosis Specialty Rotation

This rotation will be offered in conjunction with the Maxine Mesinger Multiple Sclerosis Clinic, within the Multiple Sclerosis Comprehensive Care Center in the BCM Department of Neurology. This rotation includes the opportunity to evaluate patients presenting with MS and other demyelinating con-ditions (e.g., NMO). Patients are followed regularly through the MS center, which frequently collab-orates with the infusion center, ophthalmology, and rheumatology. The MS center also has a social worker dedicated to providing care for their patients.

Research Specialty Rotation

This minor rotation can be arranged for trainees who have a strong interest in pursuing additional research projects. Fellows who select this rotation will collaborate with a faculty sponsor to design an original research project. This specialty rotation will allow for additional dedicated research time in the second year of fellowship to complete a research project.

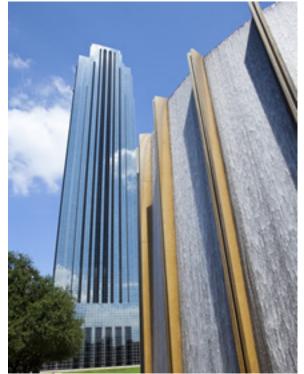
LIFE IN HOUSTON

Houston - the fourth largest city in the United States - boasts modern industries, a thriving intellectual environment, and much more. Houston is also the most diverse city in the nation with a great mix of people, culture and industries. Houston's low cost of living and affordable housing options may be among the reasons the city's population continues to grow. With both urban and suburban communities, Houston is an ideal location for families and single professionals alike.

Houston was voted the No. 1 spot on Forbes' list of "America's Coolest Cities to Live" and there are plenty of reasons why. The city enjoys attractions like the Johnson Space Center, Museum District, major sports arenas, and other numerous entertainment venues. With over 11,000 restaurants, the New York Times calls Houston "one of the country's most exciting places to eat." Those interested in staying active can take advantage of the 160 miles of dedicated bikeways and running trails at local parks and recreation areas.











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