



## Internship Opportunities 2020-2021

The mission of the Center for Alternative Sentencing and Employment Services (CASES) is to increase public safety through innovative services that reduce crime and incarceration, improve behavioral health, promote recovery and rehabilitation, and create opportunities for success in the community. Our Vision is a city in which a person's previous criminal involvement or behavioral health needs do not limit the opportunity to realize his or her best life.

CASES offers over 15 different programs available for internship. Our programs service youth and adults with a focus on helping people at the intersection of mental health and criminal justice. Our wide array of services include outpatient and mobile mental health treatment through our clinic or Assertive Community Treatment teams, educational, career and enrichment services and mentorship programs for at risk youth, and a variety of criminal justice diversion programs (Pretrial Supervision and Alternatives to incarceration). We have multiple offices across the city and also provide services in the communities where our participants live and work.

CASES provides students opportunities to become truly integrated into our programs and teams; simultaneously learning and working alongside our own staff. Students can gain experience in direct clinical practice with individuals and groups, clinical and operational experience in court, community and program office settings, and first-hand experience working in a multidisciplinary and cross-agency collaborative setting.

Available programs are listed below by department.

**\*To apply, upload your resume to Smart Recruiters and indicate the top three programs in which you are interested in order of priority.\***



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	Program	Description	# intern positions available
Court Services	CASES Court Operations Department	Court Liaison staff are largely responsible for conducting screenings and assessments of potential participants and advocate for admission into our alternative to incarceration programs. In <b>Arraignments*</b> our staff develop mastery of rapid screening and assessment, collaborating largely with defense attorneys and helping to advocate to judges on the record for participant admission into our programs. In <b>Criminal and Supreme Court**</b> , our staff conduct comprehensive screenings and assessments to determine eligibility for our longer term Alternative to Incarceration programs and interface regularly with prosecutors and defense attorneys, advocating in court for the release of defendants into our programs. Criminal and Supreme Court staff work in close collaboration with community-based staff, following participants through the program, writing comprehensive court reports that are submitted to the court for all court appearances for every participant. Court staff also stand on the record in court in support of our participants. *Placements in Arraignments are open to first and second year students. **Placements in Criminal and Supreme Court are open to <u>second year students only</u> .	3 Arraignments 2 Criminal/Supreme Court
	<a href="#">Court Employment Project (Youth ATI Program)</a>  Harlem Office	The Court Employment Project (CEP) provides an alternative to jail and prison for young people age 16-24 facing felony charges in New York City. Our staff identify and advocate for appropriate youth to be diverted by judges to CEP services in the community. Based on comprehensive assessments, CEP staff work with participants to develop highly-individualized, risk-responsive program plans. CEP typically lasts 6-12 months. From the first day of services, participants focus on their eventual transition, including preparing for postsecondary opportunities such as college or long-term employment. <a href="#">More information on CEP can be found here.</a>	2
	<a href="#">Manhattan Mental Health Court Program (MMHC)</a> <b>2nd Year Students Only</b> Lower Manhattan Office	This is a dedicated court part designed to provide a comprehensive system of oversight and treatment to eligible defendants with mental illness who are charged with non-violent offenses. MMHC Program operates as a holistic community monitoring, case management and court supervision monitoring team. Placement in MMHC is open to <u>second year students only</u> . <a href="#">More information about MMHC can be found here.</a>	1



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Court Services	<a href="#">Short Term Alternatives and Referrals to Treatment (newSTART)</a>  Harlem Office/Criminal Court	Short Term Alternative to Incarceration for adults facing misdemeanor charges in NYC County Criminal Court, including those with a history of frequent low level offenses. Interventions and referrals for participants in newSTART often focus on mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment, employment and housing as the vast majority of participants are unemployed, homeless and living with mental illness and/or substance dependence. <a href="#">More Information about newSTART can be found here.</a>	2
	<a href="#">Supervised Release Program (SRP)</a>  Multiple locations: (Harlem, Brooklyn, Queens, Bronx, Manhattan Criminal Court)	Working with court stakeholders including judges, prosecutors, and defense attorneys, CASES Manhattan Supervised Release staff identify people not eligible for bail under <b>NY State's Bail Elimination Act</b> and who would be best served by remaining in the community while awaiting trial. The program tailors service frequency and intensity to the assessed risks and needs of participants. Services include community supervision, court reporting, risk assessment, and referrals to ongoing support and/or treatment providers in the community. Program goals include ensuring participants fulfill all court requirements, sustain engagement in positive activities in the community (e.g., employment), and avoid recidivism. <a href="#">More information about SRP can be found here.</a>	6
	<a href="#">Nathaniel Assertive Community Treatment Team (NACT)</a> <b>2nd Year Students Only</b>  Brooklyn Office	The city's first and only combination alternative-to-incarceration program and ACT Team for adults with serious mental illness facing incarceration as the result of felony charges including violent arrests. NACT Program operates as a holistic ACT Team and court supervision monitoring team. <a href="#">More information about Nathaniel ACT can be found here.</a>	1
Behavioral	<a href="#">Nathaniel Clinic (Outpatient Mental Health Clinic)</a>  Harlem Office	State licensed outpatient mental health clinic offering services including counseling/therapy, medication management, psychiatric evaluation, health assessment and monitoring, integrated treatment for substance use, complex care management, and crisis intervention. Largely services clients who are or have been involved in the criminal justice system but open to the public as well. <a href="#">More information about Nathaniel Clinic can be found here.</a>	3



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Behavioral Health Services	<a href="#">Forensic Assertive Community Treatment Team (FACT)</a>  <b>MHC Student ONLY</b>  Manhattan Office	FACT provides coordinated behavioral health and social support services to people with recent justice-involvement using an adapted version of the Assertive Community Treatment model—a multidisciplinary, community-based treatment model designed specifically for difficult-to-engage individuals who have a history of serious dysfunction and high usage of mental health emergency services. FACT staff include experts in psychiatry, mental health, nursing, social work, substance use treatment, peer support, housing, employment, family, and criminal justice. FACT is structured to provide the holistic, wraparound services central to the ACT model while also focusing on close coordination with criminal justice agencies to help clients adhere to ongoing system requirements (e.g., parole or probation supervision) and avoid further justice involvement. <a href="#">More information on FACT can be found here.</a>	1
	<b>Brooklyn Assertive Community Treatment Team (ACT)</b>  Brooklyn Office	Brooklyn ACT provides comprehensive, community-based psychiatric treatment, rehabilitation, and support to people with serious mental illness who reside in Brooklyn. ACT is an evidence-based model designed specifically for difficult-to-engage individuals who have a history of serious dysfunction and high usage of mental health emergency services. Consistent with ACT guidelines, Brooklyn ACT staff deliver services, including psychiatry, primarily in clients' community settings. Services are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week and includes: Comprehensive case management, treatment planning, continuous risk assessment and management, clinical services including medication treatment and integrated mental health and substance use treatment, and support services in the areas of housing, education and job assistance and entitlements benefits.	1
	<a href="#">Adolescent Portable Therapy (APT)</a>  Based in Brooklyn & Queens	Adolescent Portable Therapy (APT) is a flexible in-home family therapy model designed to identify, reinforce, and leverage a family's existing strengths and assets to create buy-in and willingness to learn new relational skills and begin to address challenges including the participating young person's problem behaviors (e.g., substance abuse, truancy, etc.). This short-term intervention lasts up to four months and includes cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT) techniques. <a href="#">More information about APT can be found here.</a>	2



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	<p><a href="#"><u>NYC Thrive Initiative Connections to Care</u></a></p> <p>Harlem/Bronx/Manhattan</p>	<p>CEO, the Center for Employment Opportunities is located in downtown Manhattan and in the South Bronx. CEO serves people who have recently returned home from incarceration, the majority of whom are on probation or parole. Their comprehensive employment and training services help individuals connect to a job and career, creating greater opportunities for those facing multiple barriers to economic success. The Nathaniel Clinic is an outpatient mental health treatment provider that also serves justice involved clients, but also members of the community.</p> <p>This is a unique joint-organizational internship providing an opportunity for students to work in both agencies throughout the school year. At Nathaniel Clinic, students learn traditional outpatient mental health treatment, including screenings/assessments, individual and group psychotherapy, crisis intervention, all while working on a multidisciplinary team. At CEO, students conduct brief screenings and assessments that identify participants needs in the areas of mental health and substance abuse with a specific focus on trauma and depression. The NYC Thrive Initiative Connections to Care partnership between CEO and CASES was developed so that those participants who screen positive for the above mentioned issues, can get connected to clinic treatment via a referral directly through CEO, a non-behavioral health agency, either to CASES Nathaniel Clinic or other appropriate provider.</p> <p>The amount of days/time spent at each site will be determined by the student's availability, amount of internship hours and the needs of both agencies. <a href="#"><u>More information about NYC Thrive Connection to Care can be found here.</u></a></p>	1
Education, Career	<p><a href="#"><u>Pathways to Education Achievement and Knowledge (PEAK)</u></a></p> <p>Brooklyn Office</p>	<p>CASES' Pathways to Education Achievement and Knowledge (PEAK) Program provides youth who are on probation following involvement in Family Court with a safe, secure after-school environment promoting education, employability, life skills, positive self-expression, and improved family relationships along with the completion of probation requirements and avoidance of recidivism. PEAK seeks to use a young person's early involvement in the justice system as an opportunity for an intervention that prevents further delinquency while promoting positive, sustainable youth development. Research has demonstrated that the most effective juvenile justice interventions help young people build positive relationships and develop constructive behaviors. Accordingly, PEAK provides young people a daily menu of activities that includes: Education support, Employment-readiness and career exploration, Life skills including peer support and financial literacy, Community engagement through service projects, Artistic expression and creative voice, Recreation including physical activity.</p> <p><a href="#"><u>More information about PEAK can be found here.</u></a></p>	1



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Education, Career & Enrichment Services			
	<a href="#">Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG)</a>  Brooklyn Office	<p>To support improved career outcomes for young people who have left the traditional school system—with a focus on those who have become involved in the criminal justice system—CASES provides the <a href="#">Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) Out-of-School (OOS) program</a> as the first-ever implementation of the JAG model in New York. CASES' JAG NY program engages young people in individual career counseling, soft and hard job skills training, service/entrepreneurial projects, and job placement services with the aim of connecting participants to a career-aspirational job and/or enrollment in a postsecondary education/training program. JAG NY provides six months of active services followed by 12 months of aftercare to support participants' retention and success in job placements and/or postsecondary education.</p> <p><a href="#">More information about JAG can be found here.</a></p>	1
	Mentoring and Advocacy Program (MAAP)  Harlem Office	<p>CASES is the provider for Manhattan MAAP through funding from ACS Preventive division. MAAP is one-on-one mentoring program serving youth residing in the Washington Heights area of Manhattan. MAAP is the newest intervention offered through the Family Assessment Program. Mentors are primarily in the field conducting mentoring sessions and supporting mentees while the Social Worker and the Resource Coordinator are working with the families to identify and support their needs.</p>	1