

COUNSELLING VACANCIES

<u>Birkbeck Counselling Service</u> is currently recruiting for trainee and qualified counsellors to join our dynamic team. In order to promote wider participation, we are particularly interested in hearing from male applicants and those from an ethnic minority.

TRAINEE PLACEMENTS

We offer placements for trainees who are undertaking a qualification in psychodynamic counselling or psychotherapy and are interested in gaining experience of developing their skills in short-term psychodynamic counselling in the Higher Education Sector. The work is short-term (6-12 sessions), and so this may not be the most suitable first placement for trainees as some clinical experience is helpful; to have some experience of building a therapeutic alliance and working with the transference and countertransference. However, we can sometimes accommodate one long-term client if this is a requirement of your course.

You will need to commit to one working day (9.00am - 5.00pm) for a minimum of one academic year and a maximum of two. You will be allocated a maximum of three clients a day and we provide weekly clinical supervision.

ASSOCIATE SCHEME

We are looking for counsellors (minimum Diploma level) or psychotherapists who have either:

- A minimum of 300 hours of counselling or psychotherapy experience in a professional setting and would like to gain experience of short-term work
 OR
- Are qualified with a minimum of 150 hours of post-qualification experience in a professional setting and are working towards professional accreditation
- AND are members of the BACP or equivalent regulatory body

The associate counsellors will manage their own clinical load and conduct their own assessments. You will be expected to work one day a week and see a maximum of four clients. You will commit for a minimum of one academic year – maximum of two years. We will provide clinical supervision and support your accreditation process.

Our service is psychodynamic. However, we would consider integrative counsellors who had a sound understanding of the theory and practice of psychodynamic principles. This is a voluntary position.

The closing date for applications is Friday 31 May and Interviews will take place in the afternoon and evening of Tuesday 18 June. To apply please e-mail us on: counselling-services@bbk.ac.uk

The placement will take place on Fridays. Only apply if you can commit to working this day.