



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

**Edward Hines Jr. VA Hospital
Social Work Service
Internship Opportunities**

Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital, located 12 miles west of downtown Chicago on a 147-acre campus, offers primary, extended and specialty care and serves as a tertiary care referral center for VISN 12. Specialized clinical programs include Blind Rehabilitation, Spinal Cord Injury, Neurosurgery, Radiation Therapy and Cardiovascular Surgery. The hospital also serves as the VISN 12 southern tier hub for pathology, radiology, radiation therapy, human resource management and fiscal services.

Hines VAH currently operates 483 beds and six community based outpatient clinics in Joliet, Aurora, Hoffman Estates, Kankakee, Oak Lawn and LaSalle/Peru.

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is the largest employer of Social Workers in the Nation. Hines VA Hospital employs over 170 masters level social workers that serve in various roles within medical and psychiatric inpatient units, primary care, mental health, geriatrics, substance use disorder treatment, homeless veteran outreach and other specialty care services.

Primary Benefits of MSW Trainee Opportunities at Hines VA include:

- Gaining an impactful experience assisting our Nation’s heroes, their families and caregivers
- Being a member of an organization that is committed to diversity, inclusion and equity
- Serving in an integral role within multidisciplinary patient care teams

Additionally, Hines VA has been able to offer stipends to MSW trainees within the last several years. We also strive to employ our former trainees. Currently, over 44% of our social work staff were trained through the Hines Social Work Intern Program.

We are currently seeking candidates to fulfill placements during the following timeframes:

- **“Summer” - May 2021 thru August/September 2021**
- **“Fall” - September 2021 thru May 2022**

To be considered for an internship at Hines, you must be a second year MSW student seeking advanced placement. We will begin interviewing for placements during late January/early February 2021. Please contact the Hines Social Work Intern Program Coordinator to submit your resume, or if you have additional questions related to MSW internship opportunities:

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