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2023-2024

**THE BOSTON PSYCHOANALYTIC SOCIETY AND INSTITUTE
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO PSYCHOANALYTIC TRAINING**

141 HERRICK ROAD, NEWTON CENTRE, MASSACHUSETTS 02459

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Please indicate below the program to which you would like to apply.

Applications will be accepted beginning December 1, 2022

Deadline for submission is April 1, 2023

_____ **Adult Psychoanalytic Training**

For more information [Click here](#)

_____ **Joint Adult and Child & Adolescent Psychoanalytic Training**

For more information [Click here](#)

Child Only Training:

Candidates and Graduates of Adult Psychoanalytic Training from *MIP or an IPA-approved Institute* are eligible for Child-Only Training at BPSI. For more information [Click here](#)

Expedited Child:

Candidates and Graduates of Adult Psychoanalytic Training *from BPSI* are eligible for expedited Admission to Child and Adolescent Training. [Contact Karen Smolens](#)

_____ **Community Psychoanalysis Concentration (CPC)**

Applicants across all BPSI Training Programs may also apply concurrently to the CPC. This program offers additional biweekly Friday morning engagement focused on Community Psychoanalysis. [Click here](#) for more information and application.

TO RECEIVE A COPY OF THIS APPLICATION AS A WORD DOCUMENT, VIA EMAIL PLEASE CONTACT THE BPSI ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE AT ksmolens@bpsi.org or 617.266.0953, x 103

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE APRIL 30, 2023. [CLICK HERE](#) FOR INFORMATION AND AN APPLICATION.

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NAME IN FULL _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____

ADDRESS: (Please Check Preferred Mailing Address)

Office: _____

_____ Telephone Number: _____

Email: _____

Home: _____

_____ Telephone Number: _____

Email: _____

MENTAL HEALTH DEGREE: _____ NAME OF ACCREDITED PROGRAM: _____

DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

LICENSE NUMBER: _____ STATE: _____ DATES: _____

MALPRACTICE INSURANCE (REQUIRED): INDICATE CURRENT COVERAGE

COLLEGE ATTENDED, DEGREE OBTAINED, FIELD OF STUDY AND DATE OF GRADUATION.

LIST PRIMARY (AND SECONDARY, IF APPLICABLE) GRADUATE DEGREE(S), INSTITUTION(S), FIELD(S) OF STUDY, AND DATE(S) OF GRADUATION.

INTERNSHIPS: LIST INTERNSHIPS AND OTHER CLINICAL TRAINING THAT WERE PART OF YOUR GRADUATE STUDIES. IF APPLYING FOR JOINT TRAINING, PLEASE LIST SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE HAD WITH CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS AS PART OF THIS TRAINING, INCLUDING RELEVANT COURSES (LENGTH), CLINICAL ROTATIONS (LENGTH), AND PSYCHOTHERAPY CASES YOU HAVE DONE UNDER SUPERVISION (NUMBER AND LENGTH OF TIME).

POST INTERNSHIP TRAINING: PLEASE LIST POST-INTERNSHIP TRAINING EXPERIENCE (PSYCHIATRY RESIDENCY, POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP OR OTHER ADVANCED TRAINING PROGRAMS. IF APPLYING FOR JOINT TRAINING, PLEASE LIST SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE HAD WITH CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS AS PART OF YOUR TRAINING, INCLUDING RELEVANT COURSES (LENGTH), CLINICAL ROTATIONS (LENGTH), AND PSYCHOTHERAPY CASES YOU HAVE DONE UNDER SUPERVISION (NUMBER AND LENGTH OF TIME).

HAVE YOU PARTICIPATED IN ANY POST MASTER’S PSYCHODYNAMIC PSYCHOTHERAPY TRAINING PROGRAM (EXAMPLE: FELLOWSHIP OR ADVANCED TRAINING PROGRAM IN PSYCHOANALYTIC PSYCHOTHERAPY “ATP”) WITH DIDACTIC AND CLINICAL EXPERIENCE? IF SO, WHERE?

PLEASE REVIEW THE ELIGIBILITY AND READINESS APPENDIX AT THE BACK OF THIS APPLICATION AND DESCRIBE HOW YOUR TRAINING OR WORK EXPERIENCE HAS FULFILLED THESE PREREQUISITES.

We understand that there are different educational pathways in the mental health field. If you would like to make additional comments with regard to any of the items listed in the prerequisites that would help us to better understand your readiness for psychoanalytic training, please include them here.

PLEASE LIST YOUR EXPERIENCE IN ADULT AND CHILD PSYCHODYNAMIC PSYCHOTHERAPY SUPERVISION IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS WITH NAMES OF SUPERVISORS, HOURS, AND APPROXIMATE DURATION OF SUPERVISION. PLEASE INDICATE (CHILD) OR (ADULT) SUPERVISION FOR EACH ENTRY.

LETTERS OF REFERENCE: ALL APPLICANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR REQUESTING FOUR LETTERS OF REFERENCE TO BE SENT TO KAREN SMOLENS BY EMAIL KSMOLENS@BPSL.ORG. LETTERS MAY BE FROM ANY SUPERVISORS OR PROFESSIONAL COLLEAGUES WHO KNOW YOUR CLINICAL WORK WELL.

IF APPLYING FOR JOINT TRAINING, AT LEAST TWO OF THESE REFERENCES MUST KNOW YOUR CLINICAL WORK WITH CHILDREN.

*Letters of Reference will be accepted beginning **December 1** and must be received no later than **April 1**.*

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Please list References here:

1. _____
(name) contact information

2. _____
(name) contact information

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Continued here:

3. _____
(name) (contact information)

4. _____
(name) (contact information)

TRAINING ANALYSIS AT 4 -5X PER WEEK WITH AN APPROVED BPSI ANALYST IS REQUIRED BY MATRICULATION.

ELIGIBILITY FOR CANDIDATE ANALYSES

A Candidate’s personal Training Analyst may be a BPSI Training Analyst, and in some cases, well established analyses with BPSI Psychoanalysts may be eligible for a Waiver for the analysis to serve as the training analysis.

A list of BPSI training and supervising analysts is available by contacting Karen Smolens at ksmolens@bps.org or 617.266.0953 ext. 103 in the BPSI Administrative Office.

If you are already engaged in a 4-5x/week analysis with a BPSI Psychoanalyst who is not yet designated as a Training Analyst, or you wish to work with an APsaA/IPA Training Analyst who is not at BPSI, the Analyst may inquire about a waiver to continue as an approved Analyst for the Candidate’s training.

Questions regarding eligibility for a TA Waiver are addressed *before an applicant is assigned interviewers*. *Waiver Questions* and *Waiver Reviews* are handled by the TA Waiver Committee. [Click Here for Waiver Information](#) or please contact Karen Smolens in the administrative office to inquire further about the waiver process.

Please check all that apply below.

- I AM IN TREATMENT WITH A BPSI TRAINING ANALYST.
- I AM IN A WELL-ESTABLISHED ANALYSIS WITH AN ANALYST WHO IS NOT A BPSI TRAINING ANALYST, AND I WOULD LIKE TO INQUIRE ABOUT ELIGIBILITY FOR MY ANALYST TO SERVE AS MY TRAINING ANALYST.
- I AM NOT IN ANALYSIS AND WOULD LIKE A CONSULTATION REGARDING A REFERRAL FOR AN ANALYSIS WITH A BPSI TRAINING ANALYST.
- OTHER (PLEASE EXPLAIN BELOW)

PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING:

1) PERSONAL STATEMENT: Please tell us about yourself and your professional and intellectual goals. This should include a brief statement tracing the history of your interest in psychoanalytic training. You might also include, for example, any or all of the following: some description of your family of origin; education and professional development; important experiences or relationships and your personal experience of psychotherapy or psychoanalysis. Feel free, however, to write about whatever you think would be useful for interviewers to know while reviewing your application for training. (Suggested maximum length 5-8 pages, 1500 words.)

2) CURRICULUM VITAE

3) DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PSYCHOTHERAPY CASELOAD FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS. If applying for joint training, please make two separate lists: one for child cases and one for adult cases. Specify patient's age, gender, diagnosis, frequency of visits, length of treatment, and beginning dates of treatment. Include a sentence or two about the work you are doing with each patient.

Please note that, where applicable, ancillary materials related to prior training experiences at BPSI (e.g., ATP, Fellowship) may also be sought and reviewed.

This Admissions material will be handled with strict confidentiality.

11/21/2022

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES:

SUPERVISION OF OTHERS

Supervisee Level	AGE*	SEX*	DIAGNOSIS*	Supervision Began	Supervision Ended	YR _____		YR _____		YR _____	
						HRS/WK	HRS/YR	HRS/WK	HRS/YR	HRS/WK	HRS/YR

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

DATES	COURSE/SUBJECT	LEVEL	STUDENTS	# SESSIONS

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

DATES	ORGANIZATION	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBILITY

*Please note: Categories above indicate patient information.

USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS AS NECESSARY

THE BOSTON PSYCHOANALYTIC SOCIETY AND INSTITUTE, INC.

Circle either yes or no (Not N/A) to each question. Provide details on a separate page for all YES answers. Please answer all questions.

All applicants:

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| 1. Has any governmental authority, health care facility, group practice, professional society or association, or academic or educational facility brought charges or a complaint against you or imposed any discipline against you relating to your practice or professional conduct, including for any alleged violation of laws, rules, by-laws, standards of practice or ethics? | YES | NO | |
| 2. Have you ever lost or voluntarily relinquished your license to practice in any state or territory? | YES | NO | |
| 3. Have you withdrawn an application for a professional license or been denied a professional license for any reason? | YES | NO | |
| 4. Have you ever been convicted of a felony, or have you been convicted in the last ten years of any misdemeanor or other criminal offense, other than a minor traffic violation or are you currently charged with any criminal offense? | YES | NO | |
| 5. Has any professional liability insurance provider restricted, limited, terminated, imposed a surcharge or co-payment on, or placed any condition related to professional competency or conduct on your coverage or have you voluntarily restricted, limited or terminated your insurance coverage in response to an inquiry by a professional liability insurance provider? | YES | NO | |
| 6. Have you ever engaged in a sexual or romantic relationship with a patient or former patient? | YES | NO | |
| 1. CLAIMS MADE: Has any malpractice claim been made against you that has not yet been finally settled or adjudicated, whether or not a lawsuit was filed in relation to the claim? | YES | NO | |
| 2. CLAIMS RESOLVED: Has any malpractice claim that has been made against you been settled, adjudicated, or otherwise resolved, whether or not a lawsuit was filed in relation to the claim? | YES | NO | N/A |
| 3. Has any lawsuit, other than a malpractice suit, which is related to your competency to practice, or your professional conduct in the practice of your discipline, been filed against you or been settled, adjudicated or otherwise resolved? | YES | NO | |
| 4. Has your privilege to possess, dispense or prescribe controlled substances been suspended, revoked, denied, restricted by, or surrendered to any state or federal agency? | YES | NO | |

As a condition of membership, I agree to report any changes in my licensing status, or any complaints or actions initiated against me by any governmental authority, health care facility, group practice, professional society or association, or academic or educational facility in regard to my practice or professional conduct or the institution against me of felony criminal charges. I agree to practice within the professional and ethical guidelines of both my licensing profession and the [APsaA Ethics Standards](#), to abide by the provisions of the [BPSI bylaws](#), and to comply with the procedures of the BPSI Ethics Committees ([Ethics Committee Policies and Procedures](#)) ([MAC Policies and Procedures](#)). I understand that the above documents, policies, and procedures may change from time to time.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Financial Policy:

I understand that payment of annual tuition is a condition of candidacy. Good financial standing is a condition to participate in the activities of BPSI including committee work, running for office, teaching, and supervising. Library Privileges and P-e-P, where applicable. I understand that if my tuition is in arrears I will be considered not in good financial standing, and until I redress the arrears through full payment or a payment toward a payment plan, I understand my privileges at BPSI will be suspended. I understand that in case of financial hardship I may seek a confidential payment plan through the Finance Office.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Application Waiver:

I have reviewed the complete application, the BPSI Bylaws, the APsAA Ethics Standards and the current BPSI Ethics procedure.

In applying for Candidacy at Boston Psychoanalytic Society and Institute (BPSI), I understand that BPSI’s Admissions Committee or its designees will review my application and references, and may make further inquiries about me, that these answers will be obtained under pledge of confidentiality, and that I am not entitled to, and will not ask for disclosure of these replies. I hereby release BPSI, its Members, officials, employees, and agents from any liability in connection with the acquisition and use of said information and will hold them free from all damage and claims because of any action taken on this application or by reason of any subsequent action.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

I hereby authorize the Education Committee of the Boston Psychoanalytic Society and Institute (BPSI) to write to any of the above-named references for information about my qualifications and hereby release the Education Committee of BPSI, its officials, employees and agents from any and all liability in connection with the acquisition and use of such information.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

THIS APPLICATION SHOULD BE RETURNED WITH THE NON-REFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE OF \$100.
[Click here to pay application fee.](#)

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Date _____

To: The Boston Psychoanalytic Society and Institute
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Re: Waiver of Right to Examine Letters of Reference

I hereby waive my right to examine letters of reference, recommendations, comment or opinion from any of my references, supervisors, or other sources named in my application to you.

(Signed) _____

(Address) _____

Appendix

Eligibility and Readiness for Psychoanalytic Training

At BPSI we welcome applications for training from all mental health disciplines. We offer a wide range of educational programs which are often pathways into analytic training and work with interested clinicians to match them with the program that best fits their professional needs, developmental trajectory, and interests at a given time. Psychoanalytic training is one trajectory available to licensed mental health professionals with an established base of knowledge and experience within the field.

Prior to psychoanalytic training, applicants should possess the clinical immersion and didactic and personal treatment experience described below. If applying for joint training in adult and child psychoanalysis, this should include at least one year of training specific to child and adolescent mental health from a recognized treatment center.

We understand there are different educational pathways in the mental health field, and your training and experience may differ from the criteria listed below. The Admissions Chairs and the Training Outreach Chair are available to discuss your didactic and clinical immersion, your individual interests and professional trajectory, and your readiness for psychoanalytic training. Their contact information can be found below.

Clinical Immersion

1. A minimum of 3000 hours or the equivalent of two years full-time mental-health clinical experience under weekly individual supervision. If applying for joint training in adult and child psychoanalysis, this should include experience with children, adolescents and adults. Although this experience may be gained primarily from out-patient care situations, it should ideally include at least some experience with other settings such as inpatient and emergency care settings that offer exposure to the full range of mental disorders and should include experience with psychodiagnostic assessment and differential diagnosis.
2. A minimum of 60 hours of individual supervision in the practice of psychodynamic psychotherapy such that you have begun to develop the capacity to establish a clinical process with patients, basic to future psychoanalytic clinical competence.

Didactic Experience

Should generally include the following:

1. Human Development across the lifespan from infancy into adulthood.
2. Psychopathology – allowing for a theoretical and clinical understanding of mental disorders including neurotic, characterological, psychotic, affective, anxiety, attentional and learning disorders as well as disorders related to substance abuse and those at the medical-psychiatric interface.
3. At least 60 hours participation in psychodynamically oriented courses and clinical seminars from which you have gained understanding of basic psychoanalytic concepts as well as the basics of a psychotherapeutic clinical process.

4. Therapeutic approaches to mental disorders that would enable a theoretical and clinical understanding of the different indications for psychopharmacology, supportive, psycho-dynamic and other psychotherapeutic treatments.
5. Interviewing techniques, history taking, information gathering and report writing.
6. Techniques of psychotherapy including a theoretical understanding and clinical experience with a range of psychotherapeutic techniques.
7. The principles of clinical and professional ethical conduct.

Personal Treatment Experience

Applicants are strongly encouraged to have begun their own personal psychoanalysis or intensive psychotherapy prior to applying to BPSI.

Thank you for your interest in psychoanalytic training at BPSI. Please know that applicants are evaluated on the basis of their education, interest and experience relevant to the field, psychological aptitude, and certain personality factors. These include personal integrity, maturity and an abiding interest in the vicissitudes of human experience and psychological growth; a capacity for psychological understanding and sensitivity; the ability to listen and communicate empathically; the desire to make observations non-judgmentally in an inherently subjective field; and a tolerance for complexity, ambiguity and frustration. Psychoanalytic training is directed toward helping the psychoanalytic Candidate further develop and integrate these characteristics.

Contact Information:

Jane Kite, PhD, Co-Chair of Admissions: jvkite@gmail.com or 617-354-9766

Deborah Choate, MD, Co-Chair of Admissions: dchoate456@comcast.net or 617-868-1825

Sarah Birss, MD, Co-Chair, Child Analysis Training Program: sarah.birss@gmail.com or 978-369-5400

Frederick Meisel, MD, Co-Chair, Child Analysis Training Program: flmeisel@gmail.com or 617-232-3939

Alison Phillips, Chair, Training Outreach: alisonphillips4@mac.com or 781-235-2335

For administrative questions please contact Karen Smolens, Senior Administrator for Admissions in the BPSI office at ksmolens@bps.org or 617-266-0953 x103.

This is to acknowledge that I have read the “Appendix on Readiness and Eligibility for Psychoanalytic Training” and confirm that I meet these criteria.

Signature

Date

11/21/2022