Agency Testimonials

Maureen O’Sullivan, Pastoral Care Coordinator - Villa Maria

“I am always pleased and confident to take on students from ACAP because of their level of competency, as a result of their training and their commitment and dedication to learning. ACAP students demonstrate a willingness to get involved with the daily activities within their role and also to work within a multi-disciplinary team at Villa Maria.

Throughout their time in placement, the students are able to widen their skills and gain valuable experience in counselling. The students are very respectful, honouring the values and mission of Villa Maria, particularly our person-centred approach. I have no hesitation in recommending ACAP students for any agency wishing to expand their service. This has been highly successful at Villa Maria and has allowed our services to expand and cover more client needs across Villa Maria.”

Linda Junee, Self-Help Groups Officer - Mental Health Association NSW

“I have been supervising ACAP students for the last three years and the students have contributed greatly to the growth of the self-help group program that I manage. I have found the students to be well equipped with all the skills required for my program. As the students have clinical supervision provided by ACAP, their placement experience is enhanced. My organisation has developed a strong partnership with ACAP and I now use only ACAP students for my program. I would recommend the ACAP Placement Program to any organisation wanting to extend the reach of their work.”

Vicki Clulow, Allied Health/Day Program Coordinator - Northside West Clinic, Ramsay Health

“We at Northside West have found ACAP students to be exceptionally well prepared for their placement and have a thorough understanding of the role of a student counsellor. Having ACAP students on placement plays an important part in us accomplishing our goal to provide more group therapy facilitated by knowledgeable and empathic staff. Currently we have employed two ACAP students as group facilitators after their placement, as clients and staff were very happy with their performance. Many more students have held casual positions following placement. Northside West highly recommends ACAP students for any organisation wishing to develop their facility and service offering.”
Corinne Moore, Student Services Advisor - SAE Creative Media Institute

“SAE Melbourne has been an active participant in the ACAP Placement Program for over a year. I have found that students who come from ACAP have a great deal of initiative and are always well prepared. The large range of skills and knowledge that ACAP students always exhibit has constantly impressed me.

Being thrown into a counselling placement can be daunting but I have found ACAP students to always maintain a professional standard. They are willing to try anything and tackle any client issues. I think an SAE student summed it up well when he said, “My girlfriend saw the student counsellor and has done really well. She has convinced me that I should talk to someone too. I never knew how much people could get out of it.”

The ACAP students have proved to be a valuable asset to SAE Melbourne and this is a fantastic program that we will maintain well into the future.”

Paul Baker, Counselling Coordinator - Men’s Information and Support Association

“As a previous student of ACAP I have also held in the highest regard the training and care that ACAP provides. Because of this I am always confident in taking on students from ACAP as they are well equipped, trained and prepared for the demanding environment that MISA provides.

I have found that ACAP students come with a level of understanding and commitment that sets them apart as student counsellors and which translates into high levels of care and empathy for the clients. ACAP students also demonstrate a willingness to get involved with the day-to-day running of the organisation.

I have no hesitation in recommending ACAP students for any agency wishing to expand or increase the quality of their counselling services.”

Other agencies in placement partnerships with ACAP include: