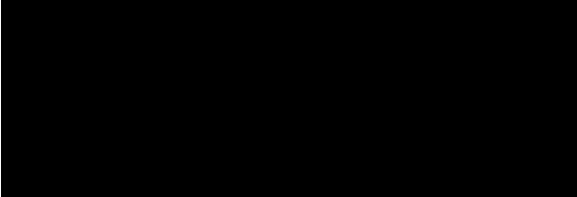


## Behavior Interventionist Application



**Applications due October 27, 2008 to:**  
*Ellen Hill, Director of Experiential Learning*  
*Martinetti Hall, Room 216*  
*or mail to: JSC, 337 College Hill,*  
*Johnson, VT 05656*  
*or fax to: 802-635-1353*  
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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Behavior Interventionist.

After extensive research into workforce development needs in Lamoille County, it has become evident that there is a clear and growing need for well-trained Behavior Interventionists. JSC has received a \$27, 838 Next Generation grant from the Vermont Department of Labor to create a Behavior Interventionist curriculum and internship program in the Lamoille Valley. JSC will partner with Lamoille County Mental Health (LCMH) and Laraway Youth and Family Services (LYFS) to create a Behavior Interventionist training curriculum connected with a 240 hour internship.

During the pilot year, it is expected that twenty people will participate in a three credit academic course that will provide BI training and a total of eight JSC students will intern at LYFS and LCMH for six academic credits (240 on-site hours/intern). This Behavior Interventionist course will be available for professional development to current BIs working in the region.

Education and training will be offered through the creation of a new course EDU 4710 *Topical Seminar -- Behavior Interventionist Training* taught by Professor Jean Haigh (offered during JSC's External Degree Program *Winterim*—December 13-14, 2008 and January 10-11, 2009). Topics for this course will include an historical perspective on human service and education in Vermont, perspectives on child development, Autism Spectrum Disorders, Emotional Behavioral Disorders, Developmental Disabilities, some background in Applied Behavioral Analysis, data keeping, the 10 Outcomes for the VT Agency of Human Services, results based accountability, developing positive behavioral supports, school culture, policies, collaborative teaming, school and community and effective communication skills. *Note: graduate credit is available with additional requirements.*

If selected, you must attend EDU 4710 *Topical Seminar -- Behavior Interventionist Training* (December 13-14, 2008 and January 10-11, 2009). This will be an intensive training and will also be available for current BIs working in the region. Please take time when filling out your application; a committee will be reading them thoroughly. This application is a very important part of the selection process, so include thoughtful reflective responses. Thank you for your interest in this exciting new initiative! For more information, please contact Ellen Hill at 635-1439 or [ellen.hill@jsc.edu](mailto:ellen.hill@jsc.edu).

**Timeline:**

- 10/27/2008 Applications Due
- 11/3/2008 Students accepted into course and 8 interns accepted
- 11/4-12/10/2008 Open registration *EDU 4710 Topical Seminar -- Behavior Interventionist Training* [for those not vying for internship]
- 12/13-14/2008 and 1/10-11/09 *EDU 4710 Topical Seminar -- Behavior Interventionist Training course*
- 12/14/2008 JSC internship contract due to Academic Dean
- 1/10/2009 Interns placed @ LYFS or LCMH
- Jan- May/2009 240 hour internships at Lamoille County Mental Health and Laraway Youth and Family Services
- May-June/2009 Evaluation/ Assessment

**What will it mean to be a Behavior Interventionist?**

*Behavior Interventionists develop therapeutic, mentoring relationships with students struggling to find success in public school due to academic, social-emotional and behavioral challenges. The position requires individuals to be comfortable with the management of aggressive behavior by students.*

**Remuneration process for interns**

Student interns successfully serving at Laraway Youth and Family Services and Lamoille County Mental Health will receive a stipend that equals an hourly wage of \$9.00 and interns can make \$2,160.00 during a 240 hour internship. Students will be half of the stipend approximately March 23, 2009 and the remainder at the end of the semester.

For more information on JSC's Behavior Interventionist program, please visit:  
<http://www.jsc.edu/BIC>



6. Detail your past experience in human service delivery in settings serving children and youth:

7. What do you consider to be your strengths and weaknesses?

8. Is there anything else the selection committee should take into consideration that you haven't highlighted in this application?

Please attach a copy of a current resume so that the selection committee can learn more about you. For more information, please contact Ellen Hill at 635-1439 or [ellen.hill@jsc.edu](mailto:ellen.hill@jsc.edu)

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**Thank you for your interest in JSC's Behavior Interventionist program.**