A. BRIEF OVERVIEW OF AGENCY SETTING
Wilderness Treatment Center is a 60 day inpatient chemical dependency addiction treatment facility for teens/young men between the ages of 14 and 24. We combine a conventional 30 day inpatient stay with a 16-21 day wilderness adventure expedition. As always, each of the expeditions is staffed by one of the addiction counselors and a wilderness instructor for the duration of the trip. The two components and length of stay allow Wilderness Treatment Center graduates to be further in the addiction recovery process than those leaving other programs.

B. DESCRIPTION OF CLIENT GROUP
14-24 year old males from all over the country and internationally. They typically come from middle class families and above. Many have a history of past treatment.

C. LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES
Become acquainted with the core concepts for addictions counselors. Gain an understanding of nontraditional treatment alternatives.

With supervision, interns will practice the basic tasks and responsibilities of a counselor including:

- Assists in treatment planning
- Conducts family interviews and provides referral to appropriate community resources; holds back-to-work and back-to-home conference involving patients, families, and concerned parties.
- Applies a variety of recognized individual, family, and group counseling techniques as appropriate to the demonstrated needs.
- Documents and reports on patient responses and progress to superiors and other members of the treatment team; prepares intake, activities, treatment and progress, transfer, discharge summaries and related records; maintains patient follow-up through established contact procedures.
D. EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS

- Thoroughness – Students will be required to know what is required for their experience and be responsible in accomplishing it.
- Discipline – Students are expected to fulfill a professional role.
- Initiative – Students will be expected to ask for what they need and satisfy it.
- Flexibility – Due to the nature of the setting and our location, this placement will be different than others.
- Desire – A desire to treat addiction as a disease. Although perhaps not expected, very useful. After all, this is a placement in an addiction treatment setting.