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| **SSC title(s):**  **Educational placement alongside children with learning difficulties**  **Type of project**: **Group placement project**  **Locations: Warmley Park School, Tower Road North, Warmley, Bristol BS30 8XL and New Fosseway School, Bridge Learning Campus, Teyfant Road, Avon, Bristol BS13 0RG**  **Description:** This three-week placement plus reading week at the end of Year 3/two-week placement plus reading week for Year 4 students, provides the following opportunities:  - To gain in-depth knowledge about the holistic experience of children and families living with profound and multiple learning difficulties  **-** To develop observation skills, patience, and a sensitivity to non-verbal communication.  - To reflect upon the notion of well-being and health within multiple and profound disabilities.  - To experience teamwork across the complex inter-relationships between the child, parents/carers, peers, medical and social support networks, teaching and support staff.  - To develop interviewing skills, reflection and evaluation to support an assignment which may be qualitative case-study of a particular child, an aspect of supporting particular learning difficulties or an agreed related topic.  - To explore creativity for well-being alongside students and children.  **Clinical aspects:**  This SSC is a clinical placement and every opportunity will be taken to support the students’ acquisition of clinical and work-based knowledge. School staff will ensure that students liaise with key-staff familiar with the children‘s medical conditions as well as visiting health-care professionals. However students will be expected to conduct their own independent research into clinical conditions they encounter.  **Structure:**  There will be an interim full-group meeting and several scheduled meetings at each site where students have the opportunity to meet with specialist permanent staff from the schools plus visiting clinicians.  Towards the end of the placement the students will gather for a final group meeting to present their individual experiences through short verbal presentations.  In addition to group meetings at UoB and the schools, Catherine, Hannah and Paul Beckley - a Clinical Psychologist will have timetabled supervisor visits to the schools. Email support from this staff team will also be offered.  Various opportunities will be provided for you to visit adults, children and students with learning difficulties outside the school environment such as a visit to the Wellspring surgery, attending workshops at the Dance-Voice Company in Bristol and 5x5x5=creativity - a charity supporting disadvantaged children in Bath.  **Assessment:**  Students are required to produce a rigorously researched assignment to a negotiated title, potentially supported by a creative-reflective work (up to 3000 words) by the end of July 2017.  We will provide a selection of articles and a recommended reading list  **Potential costs that may be incurred by students (e.g. travel to practice):** travel to Bristol schools, clinics and cultural centres |