



Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in a practicum or internship placement at Queer Asterisk. We strive to maintain a diverse team with a shared and vested interest in our mission.

#### OUR MISSION

Queer Asterisk is a Colorado 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization guided by queer & transgender leadership and rooted in community. We provide counseling services, educational trainings, and therapeutic programming centering queer and trans experiences. Queer Asterisk envisions a vibrant community that embraces authentic expression and transformation, where individuals with dynamic and intersecting identities can thrive.

#### OUR HISTORY

Queer Asterisk was conceived in May 2014 by Sorin Thomas, a recent graduate of Naropa University's Graduate School of Psychology. As a queer and trans counselor, Sorin hoped queer and trans clients would finally see themselves reflected in their mental health professional instead of obscured from yet another portrait of power.

The name Queer Asterisk was born from the ashes of *queer*, historically used as a derogatory term, and *asterisk*, generally used as annotations or to stand for omitted matter. Wishing to empower the LGBTQPIA communities characterized by and oftentimes disregarded for their divergence from the norm, *queer* was chosen to spotlight non-normative identities and the *asterisk* selected to hold space for all that is queer.

Queer Asterisk was nurtured by the addition of Brett Adamek, a fellow graduate of Naropa University's Graduate School of Psychology, in April 2016. A genderqueer counselor and activist, Brett aspired to bring queer and trans communities with intersecting identities together in solidarity with other marginalized communities to grow in tandem.

In May 2016, Queer Asterisk incorporated as a 501c3 non-profit organization to ensure oversight by a diverse Board of Directors and has been growing strong ever since.

#### OUR REQUIREMENTS

Practicum students and Interns must be in pursuit of a graduate degree in behavioral health and have a faculty supervisor to oversee the responsibilities of the university, the student, and the site.

In order to be considered for a position at Queer Asterisk, you must demonstrate your professionalism and understanding of queer and trans communities by submitting a resume, cover letter, and two professional references with your completed application.

To apply please submit a resume, cover letter, and two professional references with your completed application to [info@queerasterisk.com](mailto:info@queerasterisk.com).

Thank you for your time and interest.

- The Queer Asterisk Team

STUDENT APPLICATION

BASIC INFORMATION		Date:
Name:		Pronouns:
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:		
Email:		
EDUCATION		
List any relevant educational experiences here:		
EXPERIENCE		
List any other relevant experiences here:		

ORIENTATION

What do you believe are some of the greatest barriers to the well-being of queer and trans individuals and communities?

What do you believe are some of the greatest strengths of queer and trans individuals and communities?

Please share a few of your social locations (positions of privilege and/or marginalization) and how they inform your views.

What else would you like us to know about you?