Project Search

Internships for students with disabilities, whose goal is competitive employment
What is Project SEARCH?

• Project SEARCH is a one year internship, for students with disabilities, in a business setting, in their last year of school.

• It is targeted for students whose goal is competitive employment.

• The program takes place in a business setting where total immersion in the workplace facilitates the teaching and learning process, as well as the acquisition of employability and marketable work skills.

• Students participate in three internship rotations to explore a variety of jobs.

• The students work with a team that includes their family, a special education teacher, Vocational Rehab and Progress, Inc. to create an employment goal and support the student during this important transition from school to work.
Benefits to the Students

• Participate in a variety of internships within the host business
• Acquire competitive, transferable and marketable job skills
• Gain increased independence, confidence, and self esteem
• Obtain work based individual coaching, instruction and feedback
• Develop linkages to Vocational Rehab and other adult agencies
• Employment at the end of the Project SEARCH Program
Requirements

• Graduated from high school with either SPED diploma or Occupational Diploma
• Can come right from high school or from the CBTP program
• Must apply to Vocational Rehab and have an open case
• Application and interview process must be completed
• Their goal must be competitive employment
• Age 18-22
• Project SEARCH Student Selection Rubric Guide
For More Information:

https://www.projectsearch.us

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Some of our Former Interns:

Quin, who works full time as a room attendant at a local hotel, won a $25 Gift Card for Housekeeping - being 5% above the system average. He also won The Rising Star Award and another $25 Gift Card for October.
Andrew works Full-Time at a Hospital Cafeteria
Quinten is a Dining Room Attendant at a Local Restaurant
Zack is a laundry attendant at a Mid-Town Hotel.

Zack won an Amazon Gift Card at his job for knowing the keys to success.

Zack was recently honored for his work at the Disability Employment Awareness Luncheon.
Landon and Daniel work in the laundry at a Mid-Town Hotel.
Gustavo Works Full-Time as a Houseman at a Hotel

First Paycheck

Gustavo won the Ali Award for perfect clock in's two months in a row and won a $50 gift card.
Calvalina is a Breakfast Attendant for Culinaire at a Hotel.
Davonte is a Laundry Room Attendant at a Hotel

Davonte received Employee of the Month Award in May 2019
Pratikchha is a Full-Time Laundry Room Attendant at a Hotel
Miguel is a Houseman at a Hotel
Thawng works Full-Time at a Uniform Company

First Paycheck
Tyreesha works Part-Time at a Distribution Center
John works as a courtesy clerk who brings in shopping carts.
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