



Spring 2019

Project SEARCH interns ready to join the workforce!



Preparing for graduation!

Graduation is fast approaching for the class of 2019. Project SEARCH Interns are eager to graduate and get to work. Project SEARCH is an international program that provides real-life work experience combined with training in employability and independent living skills to help youths with disabilities make successful transitions from school to a productive adult life. All year long interns perfect skills that will assist them in ob-

taining and maintaining jobs. After lessons in the classroom on receiving feedback, resume editing, time management, and communication as well as three ten-week internship rotations, they feel well equipped to start working. Internship supervisors play a key role in the program by offering honest feedback and regularly evaluating interns. Employment outcomes include jobs in a variety of different settings including retail, hotel/hospitality and shipping and receiving. Opportunities await for Project SEARCH graduates!

New Opportunities in Hotel Hospitality!

Project SEARCH is excited to include two new internships sites this spring. The Fairfield Inn and Portsmouth Sheraton Harborside are now offering internship opportunities as housekeepers, housepersons and laundry attendants. Many Project SEARCH graduates go on to find employment in hotel hospitality. We are pleased to offer internship experiences that will better prepare interns for these employment outcomes. Thank you to the Portsmouth Sheraton Harborside and the Fairfield Inn for hosting Project SEARCH interns.



Red's Road Race– A Race for a Better Community

On April 7th Project SEARCH interns will trade their professional shoes for running shoes to participate in Red's Shoe Barn's 38th annual "Race for a Better Community". This event raises money for six non profits who provide important services in Strafford County. Interns will be asking for donations to raise money for Project SEARCH Seacoast through Community Partners. Money raised will go towards scholarships for unfunded students and technology upgrades for the classroom. Ask if you can sponsor a Project SEARCH intern today!



Race for a Better Community
April 7, 2019

Intern Spotlight

Becky is an intern in the Project SEARCH program. She has interned in the Operating Room, the Infusion Center and will be interning in the House-keeping Department.

Why did you apply to Project SEARCH?

"I wanted to go to college and get a job."

What have you learned at Project SEARCH?

"I have learned how to do resumes and accept feedback."

What are your goals after Project SEARCH?

"I want to get a job in an office setting and live on my own."

Describe your day.

"I get up at 5:14, take the bus in and start class at 9 am. After class I walk to the infusion center and help to file, serve patients, and sanitize. At 2:30 I head back to the classroom to check in about a good thing and a challenge in my day. At 3 pm I take the bus back to my house."



Project SEARCH Interns

Hometown: Rochester

Internships: Materials Management, Cafeteria, Concierge

Employment Goals: stocking at Hannaford

Cameron

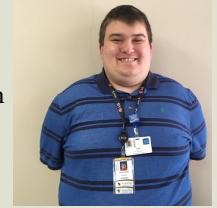


Hometown: Seabrook

Internships: Concierge, GBCC Maintenance, Houseperson—Fairfield Inn

Employment Goals: food service, retail and/or Cinemagic

Cam



Hometown: Dover

Internships: Operating Room, Infusion Center, Housekeeping

Employment Goals: office setting and classes at GBCC

Rebecca



Hometown: Dover

Internships: Gift Shop, Materials Management, Houseperson Portsmouth Sheraton

Employment Goals: houseman or front desk at a hotel

Devon



Hometown: South Berwick

Internships: Cafeteria, Concierge, Volunteer Office

Employment Goals: office setting or cashier at Market Basket

Kayla



Hometown: Barrington

Internships: Housekeeping, Laundry attendant Fairfield Inn

Employment Goals: Gunstock or a hotel

Erin



Hometown: Rochester

Internships— IT, Professional Development, LTC Partners, Cafeteria

Employment Goal: data entry and work with computers

Nathaniel



Hometown-Brentwood

Internships-Edible Arrangements, Gift Shop, Housekeeping Sheraton

Employment Goals: Hospitality Associates Degree at GBCC

Megan



Hometown: Wells

Internships: Infusion Center, Operating room, Gift Shop

Employment Goals: hospital cafeteria, gift shop or hotel

Christina



Light it up BLUE in April

World Autism Awareness Day is April 2nd. Autism friendly events happen all over the world during the month of April to raise awareness about autism. The Light it Up Blue initiative was created by Autism Speaks. Landmarks, buildings and communities all around the world “light it up blue” on April 2nd in recognition of autism. Autism, or autism spectrum disorder (ASD), refers to a broad range of conditions characterized by challenges with social skills, repetitive behaviors, speech and nonverbal communication. According to the Centers for Disease Control, autism affects an estimated 1 in 59 children in the United States today. To learn more about Autism and how you can help to raise awareness go to autismspeaks.org

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& Acceptance

Want to learn more about Project SEARCH?

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