

Internship Opportunities for Students with Disabilities

Gregory S. Fehribach Center at Eskenazi Health – Summer 2024 Internship Program for students with physical disabilities

Deadline for Application is January 31, 2024. You must submit a resume, cover letter, and 3 letters of reference by this date to Larry Markle (larry.markle@eskenazihealth.edu) or Carlos Taylor (carlos.taylor@eskenazihealth.edu).

The Fehribach Center hosts an internship program for Indiana college students with *physical disabilities (mobility, orthopedic, visual, & hearing)* in which students are placed in a full-time, paid internship in a position that correlates with their academic major or career interests. Internships are very important in preparing college students for employment after graduation, and this is especially true for students with disabilities. To this point, 195 students from 40 colleges have completed a total of 396 internships, with 63 students interning in the summer of 2023.

While Eskenazi Health has hosted the majority of interns, 39 other employers such as Eli Lilly, Cummins, Ice Miller, BraunAbility, the Indiana Pacers, the Indianapolis Children’s Museum, and Christel House International have hosted interns facilitated through the program. In addition to the internship, housing and transportation assistance is provided as needed, and professional development opportunities are offered for Fehribach Center interns. Internships are available for freshmen – graduate students, for nearly all academic majors.

Qualifications to participate in an internship with the Gregory S. Fehribach Center:

- Current college student (or graduate within the last year) at an Indiana postsecondary institution or an Indiana high school graduate attending college at an institution out of state
- Have a physical disability (mobility, orthopedic, visual or hearing)
- A competitive grade point average
- An updated résumé and cover letter
- Three letters of reference from faculty members, supervisors or a person who can speak about the candidate’s work ethic and attitude

Please visit the Fehribach Center’s website (<https://www.eskenazihealth.edu/programs/Fehribach-Center>) or contact Larry Markle (larry.markle@eskenazihealth.edu) or Carlos Taylor (carlos.taylor@eskenazihealth.edu) for additional information.

Easterseals Crossroads College InternXperience - Spring 2024 and/or Summer 2024 Internship Program for students with Autism Spectrum Disorder

Students can apply and start this internship at any time of the year. Please contact Suzanne McVey, College Internship Development Specialist, smcvey@eastersealscrossroads.org; 317-965-8778 for more information and to discuss your internship preferences.

If you have been diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder and you'd like to gain hands-on, real world experience and to enhance your interpersonal skills, this internship program is for you! The Easterseals Crossroads staff will match you with a company/organization in your field of study. Their service area is the Indianapolis Metropolitan area and the surrounding 70 miles, so something in Terre Haute or Indy is a possibility. The PAID internship experience can be a few weeks long or for an entire semester/summer depending on your needs.

Qualifications for an internship:

1. Individual must be diagnosed with any form of Autism.
2. Must be enrolled in at least 3 credit hours.
3. Must be able to manage transportation (car, bus, Uber, etc.).

Benefits for Students:

1. Enhancing and developing work skills
2. Gaining valuable insight into workplace culture and standards
3. Developing your resume through practical work experience
4. Cultivating your professional networks

Internship Details:

1. All internships are paid \$10/hour, unless employer provides additional pay.
2. Internships are flexible and may start/end at any time necessary.
3. There is no stipulation as to how many hours an individual has to work each week.