Nevada Center for Excellence in Disabilities-Path to Independence
Program Assistant

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Internship Site Information

Path to Independence (P2I) is an inclusive two-year, non-degree postsecondary education certificate program for students with intellectual disabilities. The program supports 10-15 students. The program has three components: Academic & Social, Independent Living and Employment. P2I students take UNR classes with the support of an educational coach as needed. Educational coaches (UNR student workers) accompany the P2I students to class to assist with note-taking and other skills needed in the classroom. Mentors provide tutoring and social interaction supports for the P2I students. One independent living class is offered per semester for P2I students. These include: Money Matters, Relationships & Sexuality, Nutrition & Cooking, and Employability. Public transportation travel training is also available and encouraged. P2I students participate in paid and unpaid internships, student employment and volunteerism during the two years. An employment developer works with each student to find and maintain competitive integrated employment upon graduation.

Best Buddies fosters one-to-one friendships between college students without IDD and their peers on campus or in the community with IDD. Young adults with IDD historically have been isolated at home or in work environments. The Best Buddies Colleges program is changing this by providing the opportunity for people with IDD to be involved in their local campus and community life.

2. P2I Program Assistant: Assist Academic Coordinator and Employment Coordinator with various components of the program. This could include supporting P2I students in the independent living classes, P2I Lab Sessions, mock interviews for students seeking employment, campus navigation and orientation for new students or those requiring moderate assistance to get to/from locations on campus (on foot).
The P2I Program Assistant should have availability during 2-3 weekdays, in 2-3 hour chunks of time, between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm. This is to ensure adequate time to support the program, students, and staff. Evening and weekend obligations would be minimal to non-existent.

**Number of Internships Available: 1**

**Student Requirements**

1. Knowledge of/experience with people with intellectual disabilities
2. Strong organizational skills
3. Strong oral and written communication skills
4. Ability to multi-task and be flexible in your thinking
5. Positive attitude

**How will student obtain this internship?**

In your email, please include the following attachments/information:

- Your academic schedule for the semester in which you are completing your service learning
- Your availability to complete your service learning hours. Please list days and hours you are available to work.
- A resume
- Indication of which role you are interested in filling (Social Activities Coordinator or P2I Program Assistant)

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