



Title of Position: Intern – Programs

Location: Metro Operations – Sports Authority Field, Denver CO

About the NSCD:

The National Sports Denver for the Disabled (NSCD) *enables the human spirit through therapeutic recreation and sport*. Each year more than 3,000 children and adults with disabilities participate in our programs to improve the quality of their lives. With specially trained staff, a custom adaptive equipment lab and over 1,200 volunteers, the NSCD provides therapeutic recreation through a variety of winter and summer sports and activities to individuals with almost any physical, cognitive, emotional and/or behavioral diagnosis. Year-round programming is based out of Winter Park Resort and Sports Authority Field at Mile High.

Position Summary:

The Metro Program intern gains a working knowledge of the NSCD programs, administration policies and operational procedures. Our internships are based on the National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification (NCTRC) Job Analysis including assessment, planning, implementing and evaluation of a program. The intern will gain extensive understanding of Adaptive Sports and Therapeutic Recreation and the populations served.

Internships in the Metro area are accepted on a rolling basis depending on University and Student need. The commitment is a minimum of 3 months, for 32-40 hours a week, with work days to include weekends and holidays. Program locations determined by activity schedule.

Duties:

- Daily interactions with children through adults with a variety of disabilities : physical, mental, and or emotional
- Assist with the planning, implementation, and evaluation of adaptive programs including rock climbing, river rafting, kayaking, canoeing, biking, therapeutic horseback riding, camping, and Ability Clinics.
- Attend in-house trainings
- Develop and complete an intern project
- Assist with NSCD special events and NSCD fundraising efforts
- Assist with the scheduling and transportation of adaptive equipment including driving NSCD vehicles with trailers, or large vans.
- Consistently follows safety procedures and utilizes appropriate safety equipment
- Performs other duties as assigned

Education and Experience Required:

- College degree (or progressing toward it) in Therapeutic Recreation, Special Education, Speech Pathology, Occupational Therapy or Physical Therapy, Physical Education, Social Work/Social Services or related field,.
- Knowledge of disabilities
- Current CPR and advanced First Aid (summer)
- Appropriate skill level in seasonal activities.
- Experience working/volunteering in a service industry or with individuals who have special needs
- Experience teaching a subject or activity
- Ability to swim in moving water
- Ability to follow directions and work independently

- Must have a valid driver's license and meet background check criteria to drive NSCD vehicle.
- Experience with camping, fishing, hiking, canoeing, rock climbing, and/or kayaking, ability to guide river rafts

Physical Demands:

- Must be able to spend time in the sun, withstand severe weather conditions, have the physical strength to participate in daily activities, and be able to energetically participate in activities at altitudes above 9000 ft. a majority of the time.
- Must be physically able to assist guests, students, or clients with adaptive equipment.
- Must be able to lift a minimum of 50 lbs. with assistance.
- Must have dexterity to operate computer daily.
- Must have auditory and visual acuity to operate computers and phones or mobile devices.
- Must have auditory and visual acuity to interact with guests, students, clients on a daily basis.
- Must be able to successfully manage multiple, high priority tasks in a fast-paced environment.

To apply:

Submit the below documents to jobs@nscd.org

Specify your last and first name and position applying for in the subject line

Application – found at www.nscd.org

Resume

Cover letter answering the following questions:

- University currently attending
- Title of Course requiring an internship and hours required.
- Date range of internship request
- Describe your current involvement in recreational sports.

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