

Title of Position: Intern – Winter Programs

Location: Mountain Operations – Winter Park Resort, Winter Park, CO

About the NSCD:

NSCD is one of the largest therapeutic recreation agencies in the world. Each year more than 3,000 children and adults with disabilities participate in our programs to learn more about sports and themselves. With specially trained staff, a custom adaptive equipment lab, and over 800 volunteers, the NSCD teaches a variety of winter and summer sports and activities to individuals with almost any physical, cognitive, emotional or behavioral diagnosis. Year round programming is based out of Winter Park Resort in Winter Park, CO and Sports Authority Field at Mile High in Denver, CO.

Position Summary:

The Winter Program intern gains a working knowledge of the NSCD programs and procedures . The NSCD intern will assist in implementation of Adaptive Sports, Paralympic training and therapeutic recreation. The internship is based on the National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification (NCTRC) guidelines and requirements where applicable.

Winter internships are from November through mid-April. The duration of the internship can vary based on programming need and intern request. The commitment is a minimum of 4 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, behavioral
- Attend in house trainings including classroom and on hill segments.
- Assist with the planning, implementation and evaluation of winter adaptive programs including Alpine, Nordic, Custom groups, and camps.
- Completes an intern project agreed upon by the intern and intern coordinator that meets the educational criteria and goals of the intern.
- Assists with NSCD special events and NSCD fundraising efforts.
- Consistently follows safety procedures and utilizes appropriate safety equipment
- Performs other duties as assigned

Optional Activities:

Obtain PSIA/AASI certification in alpine or Nordic skiing or snowboarding.

Education and Experience Required:

- College degree (or progressing toward it) in Therapeutic Recreation, Special Education, Exercise Science, Recreation Management, Adaptive Outdoor Recreation, Occupational Therapy or Physical Therapy, Physical Education, Social Work/Social Services or related field,.
- Appropriate skill level (minimum level 6) Alpine skiing and able to ski and access lifts independently
- Experience working/volunteering in a service industry or with individuals who have special needs
- Experience teaching a subject or activity
- Ability to follow directions and work independently
- Must have a valid driver's license and meet background check criteria to drive NSCD vehicle.

Physical Demands:

- Must be able to spend time in the sun, cold, withstand severe weather conditions, have the physical strength to participate in daily 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.
- Drives company vehicles as necessary, including trailers and oversize vehicles

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 current ski or snowboard ability

Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Policy

NSCD is dedicated to the principles of equal employment opportunity. We prohibit unlawful discrimination against applicants or employees on the basis of age 40 and over, race, sex, color, creed, religion, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, ancestry, citizenship, veteran status, genetic information, or any other applicable status protected by state or local law.

NSCD will consider providing reasonable workplace accommodations if needed.