



### **Job Description: Orientation and Mobility Intern**

The Northwest Association for Blind Athletes provides life-changing opportunities through sports and physical activity to individuals who are blind and visually impaired. To learn more about our organization, please visit [www.nwaba.org](http://www.nwaba.org).

**Job Summary:** Reporting to the COMS and Camp Spark Co-Directors, the Camp Spark O&M Intern will deliver O&M instruction in a camp setting directly to children and youth with visual impairments at Camp Spark under the supervision of a COMS. The O&M interns will work in a team providing orientation and mobility to campers throughout the week.

#### **Responsibilities:**

- Complete environmental assessment of camp environment prior to camper arrival
- Review assigned campers' O&M Independence Inventories prior to start of sessions
- Assess campers upon their arrival at camp to determine their independence level and routes
- Observe multiple camper O&M lessons given by COMS
- Plan and implement instruction in 4 designated levels of orientation and mobility under the guidance of the COMS
- Develop and implement at least 2 individual O&M lesson plans for assigned campers
- Identify best instructional strategies for assigned campers during lessons
- Communicate verbally and in writing best instructional strategies identified to campers' counselors
- Develop tactile maps to assist in campers' orientation of campus and sports
- Assist group leaders and counselors with campers as needed in the areas of orientation and mobility (offering reminders and coaching as needed)
- Work with counselors to identify and communicate best pull-out times for lessons
- Communicate with group leaders to identify and communicate best times for push-in lessons
- Complete O&M assessments for assigned campers
- Provide excellent customer service to athletes, partner agencies, and parents as outlined in the code of conduct
- Other duties as assigned by Camp Spark Co-Directors or Executive Director, such as assisting with tandem bike captaining, guide running, meal serving, etc.

#### **Required Expectations:**

- Set a good example in all you do at camp
- Refrain from possessing and using legal and illegal recreational drugs, tobacco, and alcohol during agreed upon term
- Must be in an Orientation and Mobility program
- Must be 19 years or older
- Must be able to pass background checks
- Ability to commit to being on duty 24/7 during the time that camp is in session
  - Camp Spark Sessions:
    - Session 1 (Oregon): 8:00am on July 18, 2021 to 4:00pm on July 23, 2021



- Session 2 (Washington): 8:00am on July 25, 2021 to 4:00pm on July 30, 2021
- Transportation will be provided from Session 1 (Oregon) to Session 2 (Washington) on July 23, 2021
- Ability to be at orientation on:
  - July 16, 2021 9:00am-5:00pm for all camp specialists, interns included
  - July 17, 2021 8:00am-8:00pm for all staff working Session 1 (Oregon)
  - July 18, 2021 9:00am-1:00pm for all staff working Session 1 (Oregon)
  - July 24, 2021 8:00am-12:30pm for staff working only Session 2 (Washington)
  - July 24, 2021 12:30pm-8:00pm for staff working both sessions
  - July 25, 2021 9:00am-1:00pm for all staff working Session 2 (Washington)

**Desired Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:**

- Prior experience working as a counselor at any Camp Spark sessions
- Ability to be moderately active and able to stand 12-14 hours daily
- Ability to self-direct and work well without constant supervision
- Ability to demonstrate high levels of enthusiasm, energy, and initiative at all times
- Ability and experience in riding a tandem bike
- Ability to demonstrate excellent oral and written communication skills
- Experience in MS Word, Excel, and Adobe
- Ability to lift and carry up to 40lbs, including tandem bikes, kayaks, and other adaptive equipment on a regular basis
- Experience working with individuals with visual impairments or other physical disabilities
- Pre-professional or professional experience in visual impairments, physical education, or physical activity
- Current First Aid card and CPR training

**Compensation:**

- This is a volunteer position. Room and board will be provided during the time that camp is in session.
- Seasonal.
  - Position runs July 16-23, 2021 for interns working Session 1 (Oregon) only
  - Position runs July 24-30, 2021 for interns working Session 2 (Washington) only
  - Position runs July 16-30, 2021 for interns working both sessions
    - Interns working both sessions will have some time off between both sessions
- Both Sessions.
  - Interns will be on duty 24/7 July 18-July 23, 2021 for Session 1 (Oregon)
  - Interns will be on duty 24/7 July 25-30, 2021 for Session 2 (Washington)

**Application Instructions:**

For consideration, please complete the staff initial application: <https://nwaba.org/camp-staff-information/>

- Complete application, including three references and one completed professional recommendation form
- Complete interview process