

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.

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 2: 8:00am on July 10, 2022 to 2:00pm on July 15, 2022



- Linfield University
- Session 1: 8:00am on July 17, 2022 to 2:00pm on July 22, 2022
 - Linfield University
- Session 7: 8:00am on July 24, 2022 to 2:00pm on July 28, 2022
 - Linfield University
- Session 3: 4:00pm on January 7, 2022 to 2:00pm on January 9, 2022
 - Camp Ghormley
- Session 6: 4:00pm on February 18, 2022 to 2:00pm on February 21, 2022
 - Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp
- Session 4: 4:00pm on March 4, 2022 to 2:00pm on March 6, 2022
 - Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp
- Session 5: 4:00pm on April 29, 2022 to 2:00pm on May 1, 2022
 - Camp Ghormley
- o Interns do not need to volunteer for all sessions but are encouraged to apply to all that they are available for.
- Ability to be at orientation on:
 - Sessions 1-2, 7 Orientation:
 - Summer Orientation: July 9, 2022 8:00am to 5:00pm
 - Linfield University or virtual
 - Orientation for all other sessions will be virtual and will be scheduled for 2 hours approximately 2 weeks before each session

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. O&M practicum hours will correlate to the length of each session.
- Seasonal.
 - Summer sessions positions run:
 - July 9-15, 2022 for interns volunteering for Session 2



- July 16-22, 2022 for interns volunteering for Session 1
- July 23-28, 2022 for interns volunteering for Session 7
 - Interns working multiple sessions will have some time off between sessions
- Sessions 3-6 positions run:
 - January 7-9, 2022 for interns volunteering for Session 3
 - February 18-21, 2022 for interns volunteering for Session 6
 - March 4-6, 2022 for interns volunteering for Session 4
 - April 29 May 1, 2022 for interns volunteering for Session 5
- Full time.
 - O Interns will be on duty 24/7:
 - July 10-15, 2022 for those volunteering for Session 2
 - July 17-22, 2022 for those volunteering for Session 1
 - July 24-28, 2022 for those volunteering for Session 7
 - January 7-9, 2022 for those volunteering for Session 3
 - February 18-21, 2022 for those volunteering for Session 6
 - March 4-6, 2022 for those volunteering for Session 4
 - April 29 May 1, 2022 for those volunteering for Session 5

Application Instructions:

For consideration, please complete the staff initial application:

http://app.campdoc.com/register/campspark

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