

Challenging Perceptions of Disability ONE GAME AT A TIME

BRIDGE II SPORTS

Therapeutic Recreation Intern

Vision: By creating opportunities, Bridge II Sports (BIIS) develops a culture of empowerment that fosters respect for all abilities and has a life changing impact on all humanity.

Mission: Bridge II Sports educates, develops, and implements opportunities for youth and adults with physical disabilities to play individual, team, and recreational sports.

Position Overview: The intern shall be a student majoring in recreation therapy/therapeutic recreation seeking a minimum 14-week, 560-hour internship. The student shall be one who strives to be challenged and gain hands-on experience with program planning and management. These duties shall encompass assessment, planning, implementing, evaluating, documenting, and building relationships as it relates to adapted sports programming. Interns are accepted for spring, summer, and fall internship opportunities. Events and programs worked will vary by semester and season. Interns are expected to work 35-40 hours per week and will be supervised by a full-time Program Cultivator with BIIS – who is a licensed and certified therapeutic recreation specialist. The intern may also serve in a leadership role, based on experience, as a program/session lead. The intern will also provide information on current trends in therapeutic recreation services – through projects, presentations, and staff in-services, meetings, and trainings.

The intern will:

- Report to Director of Programs and Program Cultivator (CTRS/LRT) and assist in daily tasks and weekly implementation of programs – including all facets of agency operation
- Maintain appropriate communication with supervisor, athletes, parents, volunteers, and others to build strong and encouraging relationships
- Attend appropriate training sessions and clinics for specific programs
- Maintain Intern Binder with copy of all records pertaining to internship including: orientation materials, copy of supervisor's certification and licensure, hour log, evaluations, assignments, projects, etc.
- Assist program coordinators with equipment maintenance – replacing tires, adjustments, semi-annual maintenance, etc. on all adaptive equipment
- Assist with loading/unloading equipment from truck, trailers, warehouse, etc.

- Write complete lesson plans for sports to include: warm up, routines, drills, cool down, and more
- Discuss and evaluate goals with athletes
- Maintain accurate participation and volunteer data tracking – such as attendance records and spreadsheet upkeep
- Participate in program and internship evaluation
- Attend weekly intern meetings
- Complete assignments as given by supervisor(s)
- Have fun!

Compensation: This is an unpaid internship. Internships can be used for college credit. Interns will receive official Bridge II Sports apparel to wear to office and programs, which can be kept after completion of internship.