ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Microsoft Programs & Resources for High School Students

- Microsoft DisAbility Scholarship enables high school students with disabilities to go to college and target a career in the technology industry and is awarded to promising high school seniors who plan to attend a vocational or academic college and have a financial need - https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/diversity/programs/microsoftdisabilityscholarship.aspx.
- Information about the high school internship program, Minecraft programming and digital art camp, and 3 day bootcamp for high school students can be found at https://careers.microsoft.com/us/en/ushighschoolprogram.
- DigiGirlz Programs gives middle and high school girls opportunities to learn about careers in technology, connect with Microsoft employees, and participate in hands-on computer and technology workshops. https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/diversity/programs/digigirlz/default.aspx
- STEM Saturdays at the Microsoft Retail Stores - https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/store/locations/stemsaturdays?icid=StudentsAndEducators_cat_feature3_stemsaturdays
- Digital Skills Resources - https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/digital-skills/resources?activetab=resources_categories%3aprimaryr3

DO-IT Center Programs

The DO-IT (Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking, and Technology) Center is dedicated to empowering people with disabilities through technology and education. https://www.washington.edu/doit/engage-student-programs.

- AccessComputing Team - High school, college, and graduate students with disabilities can connect with mentors and professionals to learn about internships and other opportunities in computing fields.
- AccessSTEM Team - High school, college, and graduate students with disabilities learn about internships and opportunities in STEM fields, and connect with mentors and professionals.
- DO-IT Pals - An online community for teens with disabilities planning for college and careers. DO-IT Pals engage with each other, mentors, and DO-IT staff.
- DO-IT Scholars - Washington state high school students with disabilities interested in pursuing college and careers attend Summer Study sessions, held during two consecutive summers at the University of Washington, and connect with DO-IT staff and each other throughout the year.
- DO-IT Disability Mentoring Day - Seattle-area young people with disabilities are matched with mentors during this annual event.

Google

Google's Computer Science Summer Institute (CSSI) is a three-week introduction to computer science for graduating high school seniors with a passion for technology — especially students from historically underrepresented groups in the field. https://buildyourfuture.withgoogle.com/programs/computer-science-summer-institute/#!?detail-content-tabby_activeEl=detail-overview-content

Youth Leadership Forum

The Youth Leadership Forum is a project of the Washington State Governor's Committee on Disability Issues and Employment. The Youth Leadership Forum (YLF) for High School Students with Disabilities is a unique transition program for high school juniors and seniors with disabilities that began in Washington State in 2000. Students serve as delegates from their communities at this six-day, five-night event. Young people with disabilities cultivate their potential leadership, citizenship and social skills. For more information or to receive an application package, contact Elaine Stefanowicz, Program Coordinator with the Governor's Committee on Disability Issues and Employment at estefanowicz@esd.wa.gov or (360) 902-9362.

PROGRAMS FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Microsoft College Internship Program

Microsoft offers a variety of internships and full-time opportunities for current college students and recent graduates. https://careers.microsoft.com/us/en/ur-lp-united-states

Disability:IN Programs

- The Disability:IN Talent Accelerator is a free two-day networking and career readiness opportunity for college students and recent graduates with disabilities. This academy takes place in conjunction with the Disability:IN Annual Conference, the nation's premier business-to-business conference on disability inclusion throughout the enterprise. https://disabilityin.org/what-we-do/nextgen-leaders/talent-accelerator/
- The Disability:IN Mentorship Exchange Program offers a six-month career mentoring opportunity to college students and recent graduates with disabilities through linkages to business professionals from USBLN partner companies. https://disabilityin.org/what-we-do/nextgen-leaders/mentorship-exchange/

AAPD Summer Internship Program

College students, graduate students, law students, and recent graduates with all types of disabilities are placed in summer internships with Congressional offices, federal agencies, non-profits, and for-profit organizations in the Washington, DC area. Each intern is matched with a mentor who will assist them with their career goals. AAPD provides the interns with a living stipend, transportation to and from Washington, DC, and fully-accessible housing. https://www.aapd.com/summer-internship-program/

Autism Self Advocacy Network Summer Leadership Academy

The Autism Campus Inclusion (ACI) Summer Leadership Academy, a project of the Autism Self Advocacy Network (ASAN), prepares Autistic students to create systems change on their college campuses. Participants acquire valuable skills in community organizing, policy formation, and grassroots & campus-based activism. Alumni receive support and technical assistance in implementing their advocacy goals following the training. http://autisticadvocacy.org/projects/education/aci/

Lime Connect Programs

Lime Connect attracts, prepares, and connects high potential university students and professionals with disabilities for scholarships, internships, The Lime Connect Fellowship Program, and full-time careers with their corporate partners. https://www.limeconnect.com/#our-programs.

NCIL Policy Internship Program

The National Council on Independent Living (NCIL) hosts 2 internship positions each semester at their headquarters in Washington, DC. The NCIL Policy Internship Program is open to students and individuals pursuing a career in a field relevant to NCIL interests, particularly Independent Living and disability advocacy. Although not a requirement, preference shall be given to individuals with disabilities. This program will provide real Washington policy experience. https://www.ncil.org/jobs/ncilinternships/

Emerging Leaders Program for College Students with Disabilities

This program, coordinated by the National Business & Disability Council (NBDC) at The Viscardi Center, is a highly competitive program that places top undergraduate and graduate college students with disabilities in fulfilling internships nationwide that also provide them with meaningful leadership development and networking opportunities. https://www.viscardicenter.org/nbdc/emerging-leaders/students/
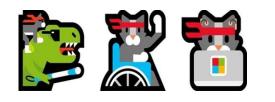
Campus to Careers Program

The National Organization on Disability's Campus to Careers Program connects college students and recent graduates with disabilities to meaningful internships and careers, by training participating employers on proven disability recruitment strategies, coaching campus disability and career services offices on effective collaboration models and facilitating relationships between companies and these student service offices to build a talent pipeline. https://www.nod.org/innovation/campus-to-careers/

Entry Point!

Entry Point!, a signature program of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Project on Science, Technology and Disability, is a national effort to discover and develop talent among undergraduate and graduate students with disabilities who demonstrated a talent and interest in pursuing a STEM career. The primary goal of the program is to increase the diversity of the scientific and engineering workforce at the professional level. Entry Point! recruits, screens, and refers qualified candidates to company and university research program partners for 10-week summer internships. https://www.aaas.org/entrypoint/apply

Workforce Recruitment Program

The U.S. Department of Labor – Office of Disability Employment Policy's Workforce Recruitment Program for College Students with Disabilities (WRP) is a recruitment and referral program that connects federal and private sector employers nationwide with highly motivated college students and recent graduates with disabilities who are eager to prove their abilities in the workplace through summer or permanent jobs. https://www.wrp.gov/wrp

OTHER LINKS

- Microsoft Accessibility
  - https://www.microsoft.com/accessibility/
- Microsoft Accessibility Features
  - https://Aka.ms/MicrosoftAccessibilityFeatures
- Learning Tools
  - https://www.onenote.com/learningtools
- CirkledIn: A FREE portfolio platform for students to get discovered by colleges
  - www.cirkledin.com