



Entrance Criteria

To be eligible for this program the applicant:

- Is at least 18 – 21 years of age
- Is on an Individual Education Plan (IEP)
- Has completed all high school credits and/or program requirements needed to graduate.
- Has an identified intellectual or developmental disability
- Has agreed that Project SEARCH will be their last year and has the goal of working at the end of the program seeking competitive employment.
- Would benefit from personalized support through career development and internship experience
- Is eligible for Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) services through South Dakota Division of Rehabilitation Services
- Be able to communicate effectively
- Accepts feedback and directions
- Have independent personal hygiene and grooming skills
- Have independent daily living skills
- Maintain appropriate behavior and professionalism within the workplace.
- Have previous experience in a work environment (including school, volunteer, and paid work).
- Be able to follow the rules (policies, procedures, and guidelines) of the host business and meet any immunization requirements
- Will complete travel training to ensure they are able to get to, from and around the host business by themselves, and will use public transportation when available
- Is committed to working in the community (at least 16 hours per week) at the end of the program

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