

# Internship Opportunities

ChildServ is a private, non-profit agency providing services to children and families throughout the Chicago metropolitan areas including Cook, Lake and DuPage counties. Founded in 1894, the agency's mission is to help children and their families build better lives. This mission is accomplished through the operation of several placement and community building programs including: foster care, counseling, adolescent group home care, center based and home day care programs, home visitor programs, parenting empowerment, tutoring, truancy intervention and immigration assistance programs.

With over 100 years of serving children and families in communities, ChildServ has gained a reputation for exceptional service delivery. Believing that this is a direct result of hiring skilled dedicated professionals, it is our goal to provide quality internship opportunities to college and graduate level students.

ChildServ has a long history of working with universities to place interns into challenging and meaningful positions in order to give them the greatest opportunity to fulfill their field placement requirements. Through the internship program the Agency will provide learning opportunities to the student that will enhance course work and fulfill educational requirements and professional goals. The following is a list of internship opportunities available within our Agency:

- Therapy/Counseling of Children & Families
- Foster Care Case Management
- Tutoring Program Management
- Community Development Including Advocacy & Analysis
- Resource Development and Fundraising
- Marketing and Event Planning
- Child Care Education
- Immigration Advocacy and Support
- Human Resources
- Information & Technology
- Group Homes Treatment Including Education & Recreation Therapy
- Volunteer Services

Student Interns will participate in the New Employee Orientation as an initiation to the ChildServ learning experience. Topics covered during the orientation include; agency overview, safety and risk management, quality improvement, code of ethics, mandated reporting, and cultural diversity to name a few. Interns will also have the opportunities throughout the year to participate in agency in-service training's covering a wide range of topics.

Students participate in the development of a Learning Contract/Agreement, which helps define the students educational/professional goals, various task assignments, supervision and other areas of learning. Supervision is very interactive with the supervisor taking an active role in teaching as well as helping students explore their own strengths and weaknesses. (Please note all internships at ChildServ are unpaid.)

Prior to starting an internship, all interns must complete the DCFS Background Check form and be fingerprinted as mandated by the Child Care Act of 1969. All interns are also required to have a current TB test and physical on file.

If you are interested in pursuing an internship with ChildServ please forward your resume to:

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