Our Mission: "We at the Kennedy Krieger Institute dedicate ourselves to helping children and adolescents with disorders of the brain, spinal cord, and musculoskeletal system achieve their potential and participate as fully as possible in family, school, and community life, while striving to excel in providing safe and effective care of the highest quality."

Our Vision: "To be the nation’s premier institution for research, patient care, professional training, special education, and community programs focused on the child’s brain, spinal cord, and musculoskeletal system."
DEPARTMENT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

Mission: To maximize potential and create change to increase the capacity of the community to incorporate state-of-the-art advances so that persons of any age with, or at risk for, developmental disabilities can achieve independence, productivity and inclusion within their communities.

Vision: The MCDD envisions that all persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities lead fully inclusive and meaningful lives.

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIRED? Yes X No___
Provided by organization

INTERNERSHIP INFORMATION (How might your organization use and improve a health education student’s skills and knowledge?):
The MCDD is one of 67 national network University Centers of Excellence in Developmental Disabilities and Kennedy Krieger Institute is a premier facility serving children, youth and adults with developmental disorders and injuries. This internship will include:

- Development and participate in programmatic projects focused on developmental disability issues covering: research and policy, agency/organizational partnerships and collaborations, and evidence-based decision-making to build leaders across the state;
- Exploration, extraction and analysis of local, state and national data sets;
- Development of surveys and questions for a diverse population of stakeholders (self-advocates, families, healthcare professionals, educators, etc.);
- Assistance in conducting community forums;
- Pre-service training/continuing education;
- Community service and technical assistance;
- Research and evaluation;
- Information dissemination in varied formats to increase knowledge of all stakeholders about developmental disabilities, and finally although most important; and
- Participation in the Family Perspective Experience.

INTERN INFORMATION (What are the skills and qualities you seek in an intern?):

- Good written and verbal communication skills;
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office Products, particularly Excel;
- Ability to work in collaborative situations and independently, and
- Able to demonstrate initiative in learning; and
- Interest in learning more about the developmental disability field.

OTHER INFORMATION (Parking problems? Need for night/weekend availability? Things a student should know before an interview?):

HOURS: 8:30-5:00; Hours may flex on some days when community meetings are held--typically occur in the evenings or weekends.

TRANSPORTATION (Location/Public Transit): Reliable vehicle transportation is required.

PARKING (Cost/Location): Parking is free at the MCDD office; travel to the main Kennedy Krieger campus and other Kennedy Krieger sites is required at times, but parking stickers are available to interns.

DRESS CODE: Business Casual
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
The MCDD works with many state agencies through developed partnerships across Maryland. Through these partnerships and collaborative projects, the intern receives a varied experience in health education and communication.

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM.
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