



Spartan Project SEARCH 2023

[Spartan Project SEARCH](#) is a one-year, school-to-work, transition program that provides training and education through internships within departments throughout Michigan State University. Collaboratively, the program prepares young adults with disabilities to enter the workforce with marketable and transferable skills. Spartan Project SEARCH is sponsored by the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

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Spartan Project SEARCH 2023-24 Cohort

The month of November marks the end of Rotation 1. The last ten weeks have been challenging but also filled with enjoyment. Interns have not only learned to travel to work, show up on time, and exhibit self-management but also specific job skills related to each department. They participated in two employment planning meetings where they learned to take in constructive criticism and set goals for themselves.

After returning from Thanksgiving break, interns spent time in the classroom updating their resumes, practicing interview skills with mock interviews and learning to travel new routes.

The beginning of December marks the start of Rotation 2. Interns are nervous and excited to see where they will be and what skills they will learn.



Save the Date!

Spartan Project SEARCH applications are being accepted until February 2024.

Rotation 1 Job Sites & Supervisors

Vivarium - Kim Williamson

Case/Holden Dining Hall - Susie Burke & Sharon Hint

Biomedical Facilities - Judy Ramirez

MSU Linen Services - Donna Svendsen

1855 Place Facilities - Kyle Ghastin

Sparty's at the MSU Union- Edalea Gillespi & Regina Jackson

MSU Main Library- Heidi Schroeder



Thank you
supervisors and
departments for a
great rotation!



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Project SEARCH Collaboration: Graduates Training Interns



During Rotation 1, at Case Dining Hall, interns were given the opportunity to learn job tasks from not only peers but fellow Project SEARCH graduates. Having graduates train interns is a way to not only boost the confidence and provide ownership for the hired graduates but to also help the interns feel comfortable and inspired at what their end employment goal could look like.

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Graduate Spotlight

Tim Ashley



Brody Culinary

Tim has been employed since May 2019

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Upcoming Dates of Interest

- Dec. 4: Start of Rotation 2 rollout week
- Dec. 8: Half Day of School
- Dec. 25-Jan 5: No School



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On the Banks of the Red Cedar

Spartan Project SEARCH was selected to be featured on WILX Channel 10 News during its Schools Rule segment.

It was really exciting to have the reporter come out and film interns at work as well as interns having the opportunity to share what they have been doing.

Check out the segment here: [Project Search Schools Rules Segment](#)



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If you are interested in Spartan Project SEARCH and/or would like to host an intern, please contact [Brooke Locher](#), Instructor.

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