



Spartan Project SEARCH 2022

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 2022-2023 Cohort

The month of November brought changes not only interns but also to the weather. Interns have learned their routes to work and are independently traveling to jobsites, by walking or taking the CATA bus. Interns made a lot of progress, starting in September, with their abilities to obtain new job skills, increase their independence, increase their communication and socialization skills, and learn more employability skills. In addition, campus was blessed with a few days of winter wonderland and cold temperatures that interns learned to travel in and dress appropriately for. Everyone is looking forward to getting new job experiences when Rotation 2 starts next week.



Department Spotlight:
Infrastructure, Planning and Facilities Shops
Supervisor: Mark Lutkenhoff



"Project Search interns help Infrastructure, Planning and Facilities (IPF) accomplish our mission of 'Delivering facilities and services that help Spartans change the world.' At the same time, interns gain valuable skills and experience as they prepare for their careers."



Campus is our office. Our office is big.

Infrastructure Planning and Facilities (IPF) is one of the largest units at Michigan State University (MSU), employing more than 1,300 individuals who keep MSU running. IPF has more than 700 full-time staff working alongside more than 300 temps, part-time and on-call employees. IPF proudly employs hundreds of MSU students throughout the academic year.

IPF delivers services that touch all areas of campus from our custodial staff, landscaping crews and boiler operators to our skilled trades workers, construction project managers and outdoor event set-up workers. The professional expertise within IPF ensures MSU is on the leading edge of facility planning, management and maintenance.

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Spartan Project SEARCH interns are currently learning skills as a part of the Roofing Department and Shops Departments (Machine, Carpentry, and Painting).

Save the Date!

Spartan Project SEARCH Rotation 2 begins December 5, 2022

Rotation 2 Job Sites

MSU Linen Services - Donna Svendsen
Case Dining Hall - Krista Miller
MSU Health Care - Kris Allen
Sparty's Cafe - Chandos McCoy
Biomedical Facilities - Judy Ramirez
MSU Main Library - Heidi Schroeder
MSU Federal Credit Union Headquarters- Patrick Dowling



Welcome MSU Clinical Center

Starting in December, Spartan Project SEARCH will add a new department with the MSU Healthcare Department, and we are very excited to begin our partnership!

At the clinical center, in the operations suite, interns are planning to learn computer work by updating policies, making calls, and customer service-type initiatives with the clinics and patients.



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Graduate Spotlight

Kyle West

MSU Owen Dining Hall

Kyle has been employed since April 2018 and promoted to student cook

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Upcoming Dates of Interest

- November 28, 2022 - Start of the workshop week
- December 5, 2022 - Start of Rotation 2
- December 19 - January 2 - Holiday Break: No School



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On the banks of the Red Cedar

During workshop week, interns updated their resumes and practiced their interview skills. Interns also participated in mock interviews and a lesson about interview best practices from the Michigan State Infrastructure Planning and Facilities (IPF) Human Resources Department. Team members from Michigan State Federal Credit Union also joined the class to teach interns how to make SMART goals, how to save, and how to create a budget.



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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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