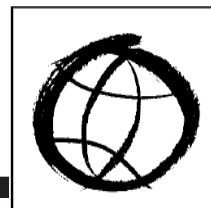




# Opportunities!

for Johnson & Wales University Students with Disabilities



**DO-IT**

April 2006

Dear Student,

You are receiving this correspondence from Johnson & Wales University Center for Academic Support in partnership with the DO-IT (Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking, and Technology) program. The purpose is to inform you about many opportunities available to you. We invite you to review these and participate in activities that interest you.

On page two of this letter, you will find information about Johnson & Wales Career Development Office, and a student group called the Conversation Group.

There is information about how to participate in **Networking Opportunities**, a **Career Fair** and on campus **Events**. On page three, there is information about **Internships**. Page four contains information about **AccessSTEM and AccessComputing**. It also describes **DO-IT** and the **Assistive Technology** available on campus.

Johnson & Wales University and DO-IT staff sincerely wish you a successful and enjoyable college experience.

Sincerely,

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## Meet the Special Needs Advisors

Contact our office to set up an appointment.

### Downcity Campus

Kinsley Building  
334 Westminster St.

Hinda Levin-Kreiger 401-598-1812

Mary Magers 401-598-4619

Meryl Precourt 401-598-4753

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### Harborside Campus

Paramount Building  
Bette Nee 401-598-4754

## Career Advisors

### Downtown

Brenda Boal 401-598-2851

### Harborside

Gwendolyn Graham 401-598-1285

## ...and the Career Development Office

Career Development at Johnson & Wales University helps students learn about **careers and the labor market**. You can also get advice on your **resume** and learn how to improve your **interview skills**.

Using Career Development is an excellent way for students to pursue career co-op and SWEP (Summer Work Experience Program) opportunities.

**For More information, visit the Career Development Office.**

Business, Hospitality, and Technology  
Yena Center, 3rd Floor  
Phone: 401-598-1070  
Website: <http://www.jwu.edu/career.htm>

Culinary  
Paramount Building  
Phone: 401-598-4611  
Website: <http://www.jwu.edu/career.htm>



## Conversation Group

The Conversation Group is a drop-in group which meets in the Multicultural Center on Mondays at 5PM for students with chronic illness or pain. Call Mary Magers 401-598-4619 or Bette Nee 401-598 4754 with questions.

## Technology Questions Computer Labs

The **Academic Center** labs house over 300 workstations. There is software for drafting, programming, and electronic engineering.  
401-598-1504

The **Harborside** labs have 128 networked and Internet-ready computers. Software includes a powerful statistical package, as well as nutrition and menu planning templates.  
401-598-1592

The **Xavier** labs have 110 networked and 68 non-networked computers, all Internet-ready, for general and specialized use, such as for hotel management and business administration.  
401-598-1535

If you have any questions, please see your lab manager, or call Charlie Miller, Director of Academic Computer Services at  
401-598-1530.

## On Campus Career Events

Our Career Coaches are here to help you with your employment search. Just call, or stop in to make an individual appointment.  
University Hall, 3rd Floor: 401-598-1070  
Paramount Building: 401-598-4611

## Visit the Student Lounge

Find out about accommodation strategies, legal issues, and resources for students with disabilities at the online resource called the Student Lounge at: <http://www.washington.edu/doi/Resources/postsec.html>. At this site there are also resources for faculty (The Faculty Room), student services organizations (The Conference Room), and administrators (The Board Room).

# Internships, Scholarships for Students with Disabilities

## **The Washington Center Scholarship Program for College Students with Disabilities**

The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars offers 50 scholarships to college students with disabilities interested in working in the executive, judicial, or legislative branches of the federal government. Applications are available at [http://www.twc.edu/disability\\_about.shtml](http://www.twc.edu/disability_about.shtml). Scholarships are available for Spring and Fall semesters only. The deadline for Fall is May 2, 2006. For more information please contact Jennifer Taransky at 202-457-0046 or email: [jennynt@twc.edu](mailto:jennynt@twc.edu).

## **Financial Assistance for Women with Physical Disabilities**

The Ethel Louise Armstrong Foundation, Inc., (ELA) provides scholarships to women with physical disabilities who are enrolled in college. Awards are based on merit. Scholarships range from \$500-\$2000 per year. The application deadline is June 1, 2006. For more information, visit <http://www.ela.org/>. Scholarships are awarded in August.

## **The National Business & Disability Council National Resume Database (NBDC)**

The NBDC will enter your resume into their National Resume Database! This is a free service for college students with disabilities who are approaching graduation. To register, visit <http://www.business-disability.com/> and click on "job seekers" and "post resume," or fax resume to 1-877-634-7068.

## **The Youth to Work Coalition**

The Youth to Work Coalition (YWC) was established to assist businesses in creating or enhancing internships and mentoring programs available for youth with disabilities. For more information on the YWC, please contact Joe Timmons at 612-624-5659 or [timm0119@umn.edu](mailto:timm0119@umn.edu) or visit <http://www.ncset.org/youthtowork/default.html>.

## **MIUSA's List of Internships with International Exchange Organizations**

Mobility International USA, an organization devoted to empowering people with disabilities around the world to achieve their human rights through international exchange and international development, provides a web page which lists over 20 internship opportunities and list serves in international development and exchange. For more information, visit <http://www.miusa.org/ncde>.

## **Scholarships List at California State University Sacramento (CSUS)**

CSUS web resources include a comprehensive list of disability-related Scholarships. The site is at <http://www.csus.edu/sswd/services/scholarshipsdisabilityrelated.htm>.

## **Entry Point! 2006 (AAAS)**

Entry Point! is a program of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) offering Outstanding Internship Opportunities for Students with Disabilities in Science, Engineering, Mathematics, Computer Science, and some fields of Business. AAAS has developed unique partnerships with IBM, NASA, Merck, NOAA, Google and university science laboratories to meet their human resource needs. For more information visit <http://ehrweb.aaas.org/entrypoint/>.

## **Career Opportunities for Students with Disabilities (COSD)**

COSD is a unique consortium composed of large and small universities, national employers and US Government agencies focused on the career employment of college graduates with disabilities. COSD is funded through a grant provided by the US Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy. For more information, visit <http://www.cosdonline.org/index.shtml>.

## **National Business Leadership Network (BLN)**

The purpose of the BLN is to help employers understand the value of hiring and promoting people with disabilities. There is a national organization and a chapter in Washington State. For more information about networking through BLN, visit <http://www.usbln.com/network/wa.html>.

## Seeking Students with Disabilities for AccessComputing and AccessSTEM

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering at the University of Washington and DO-IT sponsor *the AccessComputing Alliance* for the purpose of increasing the participation of people with disabilities in computing careers nationwide. This *Alliance* provides a nationwide resource to help students with disabilities pursue computing fields and computing educators and employers, professional organizations, and other stakeholders develop more inclusive programs and share effective practices. Read more about *AccessComputing* online at <http://www.washington.edu/accesscomputing/>. Join the AccessComputing team in order to learn about internships, activities, and information resources.



DO-IT's Northwest Alliance for Access to Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (*AccessSTEM*) provides opportunities for students with disabilities in Washington, Idaho, Oregon and Alaska to locate internships and other work experiences, participate in career preparation events, develop disability disclosure and accommodation strategies, and network with mentors and business professionals. To access the online application, go to [http://www.washington.edu/doit/Stem/team\\_app.html](http://www.washington.edu/doit/Stem/team_app.html).

If you are interested in arranging an internship in the fields of science, technology/computing, engineering or math, please contact Tami Tidwell at 206-616-7850 or [tamitha@u.washington.edu](mailto:tamitha@u.washington.edu).

## About DO-IT (Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking, Technology)

DO-IT serves to increase the participation of individuals with disabilities in challenging academic programs and careers. It promotes the use of computing and networking technologies to increase independence, productivity, and participation in education and employment. Based at the UW Seattle campus, DO-IT works with students preparing for college, in addition to those students currently attending a two- or four-year colleges or universities.

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## About this Publication

This publication is a joint venture between DO-IT (Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking, and Technology) and the offices that serve students with disabilities at Johnson & Wales University. Its purpose is to inform J&W students with disabilities about some of the many opportunities available to them. It is printed periodically. Submit content suggestions to Tami Tidwell at 206-685-3648 (voice/TTY) or [tamitha@u.washington.edu](mailto:tamitha@u.washington.edu).

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