



Opportunities!

for University of Oregon Students with Disabilities



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Dear Student,

You are receiving this correspondence from the University of Oregon Disability Services Office and the Career Center in partnership with DO-IT (Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking, and Technology). The purpose is to inform you about some of the many opportunities available to you. We invite you to review these opportunities and participate in activities that are of interest.

On page two, you can learn about the **Career Center**, the **Career Development Internship Program**, **UO JobLink**, **MIUSA Internships**, and **ENTRYPOINT**. Page three contains information about **Emerging Leaders** and **AAPD Internships**, projects called **AccessSTEM** and **AccessComputing**, and **Adaptive Technology on Campus**. On page four, there is information about **College Funding Strategies**, **Scholarships**, **Financial Aid**, and a web resource called the **Student Lounge**.

Disability Services, the Career Center, and DO-IT sincerely wish you a successful and enjoyable college experience. To request this newsletter in an alternate format, contact Steve Pickett, Disability Services Director, at 541-346-1155 or email spickett@uoregon.edu.

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Visit the Career Center at the University of Oregon!

University of Oregon students can register with the UO Career Center to access a wide variety of services. Career Center staff can help students understand how to apply for jobs and internships, access campus interview programs, and learn about federal work-study. Staff can also help students understand strengths, create resumes and cover letters, and compile references. For more information, drop by the Career Center or visit the website at: <http://uocareer.uoregon.edu>.

Career Center Winter Break Hours (Reduced)

Monday through Thursday 1-4 p.m.

No drop-in: 12/14, 12/21, 12/24-12/28, 1/4.

Career Center closed 12/22-12/25, 1/1

Set up your Internship through the Career Development Internship Program



WINTER BREAK is a great time to think about internships! Earn credit & explore your career options. Enroll in the Career Development Internship Program (CDIP)! CDIP is open to juniors & seniors in all majors and can help you explore your career interests and gain experience, earn upper division elective credit, develop your professional skills and knowledge, network with professionals in your field, and propose your own internship or find a placement through the Career Center career development internship program. Stop by the Career Center to find out how CDIP can work for you! Contact the CDIP Program at (541)346-3506 or caccdip@uoregon.edu.

UO JobLink

UO-JobLink contains an online database of thousands of local, regional and national job opportunities that include part-time, full-time and seasonal positions. New positions for UO students or alumni are posted daily. If you're a currently-enrolled UO student, you already have an account! It takes only two minutes to activate your account, enabling you to search for jobs or register for events. For more information, visit: <http://uocareer.uoregon.edu/students/uo-joblink.aspx>.

MIUSA's 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 internship opportunities in international development and exchange. For more information, visit <http://www.miusa.org>.

Emerging Leaders Internships for Grads & Undergraduates with Disabilities

The Emerging Leaders internship program matches undergraduate and graduate level college students with disabilities with paid summer internships at prominent corporations. Visit <http://emerging-leaders.com/> for program details and qualifications. Applications are evaluated as received. Students are strongly encouraged to apply early, because early applicants have the greatest opportunity for placement in an internship. The final deadline for consideration is December 31, 2007.

American Association of People with Disabilities (AAPD) Internship Programs

AAPD partners with corporate sponsors to offer students with disabilities special summer internship programs. Visit the AAPD website regularly to find out about programs such as the Mitsubishi Electric America-AAPD Congressional Internship Program, the Microsoft-AAPD Federal Information Technology Internship program, and the Washington Center Internship program. Applications are now available and deadlines are approaching! For more information, visit: <http://www.aapd.com/awards/leadership.php#ip>.

DO-IT AccessSTEM and AccessComputing Projects

DO-IT is recruiting students with disabilities for two projects funded by the National Science Foundation. Both projects provide opportunities for students to locate internships and other work experiences, develop disability disclosure and accommodation strategies, and network with mentors. The AccessComputing project is seeking students pursuing computing careers, while the AccessSTEM project is seeking students in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math fields. For more information, contact Scott Bellman at 206-685-3648 (V/TTY) or swb3@u.washington.edu.

What is the UO Adaptive Technology Lab?

Special hardware and software that has been designed to help people with disabilities access information is called adaptive technology, or sometimes “assistive technology” or simply “AT”. Computers, software, and special equipment might provide:

- * alternatives to the standard keyboard and mouse;
- * access for blind users via speech output or Braille;
- * magnification of the screen for people with low vision;
- * use of speech recognition software as a writing tool;
- * tools to make the reading and writing process easier;
- * accessories to make computer use more comfortable;
- * the capability to create documents in alternative formats, and more!



Students interested in using the UO Assistive Technology Lab should request a referral from Disability Services. Anyone interested in touring the facility can contact James Bailey at 541-346-1076.

College Funding Strategies for Students with Disabilities

To learn more about strategies for funding your education, check out College Funding Strategies for Students with Disabilities at <http://www.washington.edu/doit/Brochures/Academics/financial-aid.html>.

Scholarships List at CSUS

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

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/doit/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).



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Financial Aid

Visit <http://www.parentsinc.org/financial/financial.html> for a list of sources of financial aid specifically aimed at students with disabilities.

About DO-IT

DO-IT (Disabilities, Opportunities, Inter-networking, and Technology) 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 University of Washington Seattle campus, DO-IT works with students preparing for college, in addition to those students currently attending a two- or four-year college or university. For more information, contact DO-IT at 206-685-3648 (v/TTY) or doit@u.washington.edu.

About this Publication

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