



## **Spartan Project SEARCH 2023-24**

<u>Spartan Project SEARCH</u> 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**

March kicked off workshop week and the start of Rotation 3. Workshop week focused on updating resumes, practicing and participating in interviews, and working on our travel skills. Interns also began learning about type of housing options and what it would mean to rent an apartment. They researched and found housing options that might work for them in the future and began exploring independent living skills and safety.

Our Project SEARCH friends from Genesee County Parks joined us during workshop week to get a tour of campus and see what types of jobs interns are doing. It is so fun to share with other interns our experiences.

Interns have now started their new internships and are putting many of the new skills they have learned into practice. After spring break, interns will begin to explore job openings and begin filling out job applications.









# **Save the Date!**

First Employment Planning Meetings are Wednesday, April 17.



## **Rotation 2 Job Sites & Supervisors**

Vivarium - Kim Williamson Case Dining Hall - Susie Burke MSU Main Library - Heidi Schroeder MSU Linen Services - Donna Svendsen Sparty's at The Union - Ashlee Sanders Sparty's at Hubbard Hall- Jesse Mendez The Workshop- Lisa Miller

















# Project SEARCH Collaboration Transition Expo



Ingham Intermediate School District held a Transition Expo during the month of March and Spartan Project SEARCH was able to have a table there. It was a great event to share more about the program and learn more about resources and support from community partners that can be utilized by our interns and families.



Applications are still open for the 2024-25 cohort.

If you missed the first deadline and are still interested, please contact us.



## **Graduate Spotlight**

Kohl Foreman has been employed at Home Depot in Okemos since September 2019.

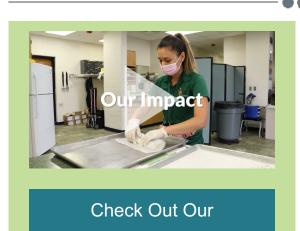


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## **Upcoming Dates of Interest**

- April 12: Half Day
- April 17: Employment Planning Meetings
- April 26: Statewide Project SEARCH Meeting





New Intern Impact Video

### New Spartan Project SEARCH Video

## **Apply for Project SEARCH**

If you are interested in applying for Spartan Project SEARCH, you can find more information on our website at <u>Spartan Project SEARCH</u>.





# On the banks of the Red Cedar

We loved hosting our Project SEARCH friends from Genesee County Parks during workshop week. We were able to give them a tour of campus and see what types of jobs interns are doing. We also got to show them how to take the CATA bus, eat in the dining hall, and enjoy ice cream from the Dairy Store. It is so fun to share with other interns our experiences.







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If you are interested in Spartan Project SEARCH and/or would like to host an intern, please contact <u>Brooke Locher</u>, Instructor.

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