LINZIE FUECHTMANN

ABOUT ME

As a Deaf professional with extensive experience in program management and advocacy, I am dedicated to supporting Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing youth through education and career exploration. With a background in operating Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS) programs and coordinating outreach initiatives, I have led efforts to provide accessible opportunities for students nationwide. My expertise spans program implementation, research coordination, and community engagement, ensuring that Deaf individuals receive the resources and support needed for success.

EDUCATION

ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Bachelor of Applied Art and Science in Public Health 2018

SKILLS

- → Program & Project Management
- → Research & Data Analysis
- → Community Engagement
- → Outreach
- → Academic Writing
- → Critical Thinking
- → Communication & Collaboration
- → Content Development
- → Reporting to ACCES-VR
- → Volunteer Management
- → Microsoft Office Suite
- → Google Workspace/G Suite

CERTIFICATIONS

CPR & FIRST AID

2006 - 2023 American Red Cross

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION CERTIFICATE

2021-2022 Rochester Institute of Technology

WORK EXPERIENCE

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

Rochester Deaf Kitchen, Inc. (2022-Present)

As the Associate Director of Rochester Deaf Kitchen, I oversee daily operations to ensure efficient food distribution and accessibility for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing community in Rochester. I develop and implement programs that support food security and community engagement while managing partnerships with local organizations, donors, and volunteers to expand resources and outreach. My role includes supervising volunteers to maintain a welcoming and inclusive environment, advocating for Deaf-friendly services within food assistance programs, and assisting in grant writing, fundraising, and strategic planning to support organizational growth.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS

Rochester Institute of Technology (2020-2022)

As the Assistant Director for Special Projects in Pre-College Outreach at RIT/NTID, I was responsible for the implementation and management of established programs designed to support Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing middle and high school students across the U.S. I oversaw the execution of Explore Your Future (EYF), TechGirlz, TechBoyz, the Healthcare Careers Exploration Program, the NTID Math Competition, and one-day workshops for parents of Deaf children. My role included coordinating logistics, ensuring program accessibility, managing outreach efforts, and enhancing participant engagement. I collaborated with faculty, staff, and external partners to maintain and strengthen these programs, providing students and families with valuable educational and career exploration opportunities. I have experience reporting to ACCES-VR.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT & PROJECT COORDINATOR

University of Rochester (2017-2019)

As a research assistant and project coordinator for several NIH grant-funded projects, I supported research focused on language deprivation in Deaf individuals. My responsibilities included coordinating project logistics, collecting and analyzing data, managing research protocols, and assisting in the dissemination of findings. I collaborated with multidisciplinary teams to ensure the successful execution of studies aimed at understanding the impact of language deprivation on cognitive and linguistic development.