
Work Based Learning Experience (557X) and Work Experience Development (559X)

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Course Overview: Provide students and individuals with disabilities opportunities to gain real-world work experience and develop essential employment skills. Partner with businesses to create structured learning experiences tailored to individual needs and career goals.

Course Objective:

To assist individuals with disabilities, acquire work-related skills and explore career interests in a real-world setting.

Curriculum Components: *(May be modified to meet individual student needs)*

Activities and topics focused on:

Pre-Employment Preparation and On-Site Work Experience Development

Career Exploration

- Identify career interests, skills, and goals.
- Use career assessments (e.g., O*NET Interest Profiler, CareerZone).
- Informational Interviews

Work Readiness Training

- Workplace etiquette and professional behavior.
- Communication skills: verbal, non-verbal, and written.
- Time management and organizational strategies.
- Review workplace safety and employer expectations.

Create a basic resume and practice completing job applications.

On-Site Work Experience

Job Shadowing

- Observe employees in the workplace.
- Reflect on tasks and skills required for roles of interest.

Internship/Work Placement

- Hands-on experience in a chosen field or industry.
- Perform entry-level tasks under supervision.

Volunteering

Service Learning

Workplace Tours