

Marketing Details to Supplement Flyers

Discover Learn Work, Career Training and Transition Services, a service of Ability Beyond and a Community Service and Technical Assistance Project of the UConn Center for Excellence in Development Disabilities Education, Research and Service

Bases for service locations:

- 17 Farmington Ave., Plainville, CT 06062. Serving Greater Hartford.
- 929 Boston Post Rd., Guilford, CT 06437. Serving New Haven shoreline.
- 60 West Street, Danbury, CT 06810. Serving Fairfield County and the greater Danbury Region.
(NOTE: Services are also available in NY throughout Northern and Southern Westchester and Putnam Counties)

Transportation: Individuals must have transportation to and from host businesses. Currently, some are transported by their school districts or adult service providers, others are driven by friends or family members, some take public transportation including Uber, some drive, and those who live close enough walk.

Age ranges served: Adolescence through young adulthood. Most interns are transition age 18-26. Exceptions may be made on an individual basis.

“Level of functioning” – we are not concerned with an individual’s IQ, independence, or skill level. Individuals enrolled must feel comfortable with our services and want to attend. No one is dismissed by us for mistakes.

Who we serve: Existing diagnosis of autism spectrum differences or autistic-like presentations, mental health/behavioral challenges, or developmental disability.

Rate structures: Based on a 1:4 staff-to-intern ratio, rates are variable depending on intensity of services provided. Additional costs incurred for 1:1 ratio.

Component	Quick facts
Standard Career Training Services	<p>When: From the Tuesday after Labor Day until June 30th (rolling admissions throughout this time period)</p> <p>Hours of operation: From 9-3 Monday thru Friday.</p> <p>Exception: Early dismissal at 1 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of every month</p> <p>Attendance options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full time during all hours of operation Monday-Friday • Part-time schedules are available for mornings (9 a.m.-noon) and/or afternoons (noon-3 p.m) in various combinations to meet individual needs. <p>Closed: Legal holidays, on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving and Friday after, and from December 23rd through January 2nd.</p> <p>Current cost: Pro-rated \$30,000 per 10-month year; \$3,000 per month. Negotiated rates are available for individuals who pay privately or are funded through the State of CT.</p>
Standard Summer Program	<p>When: From the first week of July until the Friday in August that is 6 weeks later.</p> <p>Hours of operation: From 9-3 Monday thru Friday.</p> <p>Exception: Early dismissal at 1 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday in July</p> <p>Attendance options (80% attendance over 6 weeks required for exclusive, universally designed Summer Entrepreneurship Program). Otherwise, same as Standard Career Training Services.</p> <p>Closed: July 4th (if applicable)</p> <p>Current cost: Pro-rated \$4,200 per 6-week session. Negotiated rates are available for individuals who pay privately or are funded through the State of CT.</p>
Extended Year Experiences	<p>When: Year-round during any week-long break from other services (excludes week of Thanksgiving).</p> <p>Hours of operation: From 9-3 Monday thru Friday.</p> <p>Closed: Legal holidays, on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving, and from December 23rd through January 2nd, and during the week preceding Labor Day.</p> <p>Attendance options: Minimum 4 out of 5 days generally required but exceptions may be made for cause on an individual basis.</p> <p>Current cost: \$300 per week <i>private pay or State of CT funded only.</i></p>
Workforce Opportunities	<p>When: Rolling admissions for team-determined time.</p> <p>Hours of operation: From 9-3 Monday thru Friday.</p> <p>Exception: Early dismissal at 1 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesdays of the month</p> <p>Attendance options: 80% attendance over 10 – 12 weeks of operation.</p> <p>Current cost: \$4500.00 for up to 10 weeks of full-time service, payable at a set per diem rate of \$90 or \$50 per half day. Negotiated rates are available for individuals who pay privately or are funded through the State of CT. Individualized schedule to be set by team at time of admission.</p> <p>Additional criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adults seeking competitive, integrated employment but struggling to obtain and/or maintain work because of their challenges. • Has given up applying for work OR has been looking for work for 4 or more months without success OR has been involuntarily terminated from employment despite having the technical skills to do assignments OR is underemployed (defined by not working in the field for which s/he was trained and earning less than wages earned by others with comparable experience and training who are working in the same field). • Unemployed adults with disabilities who have expressed an interest in work or would be interested in working.