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## The Resource Center – SUNY Fredonia Co-Op Program

This cooperative relationship is to provide existing SUNY Fredonia students with the opportunity to work while in school gaining valuable experience and promotional opportunities at The Resource Center. Upon graduation students in this program would qualify for a management position within The Resource Center's Intellectual Disabilities (IDD) division. The program affords the students with experiential learning in a professional setting while providing them with the opportunity to earn wages to cover tuition costs.

### Who is Eligible

Students entering their second year of school and who are able to remain in Chautauqua County or the surrounding area through the summer to work at The Resource Center.

**Phase 1:** Fall 2022/Spring 2023/Summer 2023 – Direct Support Professional position/Community Coach/Job Coach

**Phase 2:** Fall 2023/Spring 2024/Summer 2024– Assistant Manager

**Phase 3:** Fall 2024(FT 12 Credit Internship)/ Spring 2025 – Shift Supervisor

- ⇒ During Fall and Spring Semesters students will agree to work part-time for a minimum of 8 hours per week to a maximum of 29 hours per week.
- ⇒ In the two required summer sessions, students will work at least 30 hours per week when in Phase 1 or Phase 2.
- ⇒ Students will commit to be in the Co-Op for 3 years with summers included.
- ⇒ Students will agree to see the College Faculty Co-Op Coordinator during the 8-semester commitment. The College Faculty Co-Op Coordinator will set the date/times for these meetings.
- ⇒ Students must plan to take a 12 credit, full-time internship in Phase 3. Students will need to see their academic advisor to plan this into their academic program.

***Students would be able to pay for their tuition for these 6 semesters with some funds to spare working the minimum of 8 hours/week and have a job in management upon graduation.***

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