

## **Project SEARCH**

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  - Project SEARCH is a highly structured transition-to-work program that provides instruction and preparation in a community
- Students who participate in Project SEARCH complete a 9-month internship during their final year of school.
- Components of the Project SEARCH model include full immersion into the worksite, rotation among jobs, skills training, jobcoaching, and continuous feedback from trainers, job coaches, and employers.

Participation in Project SEARCH is significantly associated with achievement of competitive integrated employment.

- Employers who participate in Project SEARCH report satisfaction with their interns, the support they receive from Project SEARCH staff, and the interns they hire.
- For more information about Project SEARCH, available training, program locations, and how to start a Project SEARCH program, visit www.projectsearch.us.

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