

Fall and Spring Semester College Internship Placements (2023-24)

Please note that not all opportunities are available every semester.

Applicants should discuss specific interests with DOROT's Manager of Volunteer
Recruitment and Engagement. As part of the internship experience, all interns will
be matched with an older adult for some type of ongoing weekly engagement.

At the time of this posting, DOROT is operating on a hybrid work model. We are seeking interns to mostly work on a hybrid model (1-2 days/week in-office) or inperson, with some opportunities for remote only work. Each individual department will determine their needs for remote, in-person or hybrid work. Additional information department needs will be shared with applicants during their initial interview.

<u>Connect Through Tech (CTT)</u> (Hybrid preferred)

The CTT intern will split their time between two CTT programs – University Without Walls and Tech Coaching. DOROT's UWW program offers hundreds of teleconference programs, appealing to a wide range of interests – all over the telephone. Our goal is to provide older adults with opportunities for lifelong learning and social connection. This intern will assist with research to identify new partners and facilitators, data entry tasks and audio observation.

DOROT's Tech Coaching Program aims to meet the needs of older adults who wish to gain skills and comfort in using technology. Trained DOROT volunteer tech coaches meet individually with older adults, virtually or in their homes, to work on technology related goals identified by the older adults. The intern will assist the Tech Coaching team with screening older adults, following up with new

volunteers and updating DOROT's tech guides. The intern will also work one-on-one as a tech coach with one older adult.

<u>Constituent and Community Services (CCS)</u> (In-person required)

An intern in the CCS Dept. will visit, in-person, with at least one older adult per week. Additionally, this intern will have sporadic one-time visits with several older adults to provide socialization and engagement to DOROT constituents. This intern will provide administrative support to the Friendly Visiting program as well as the CCS Dept., more broadly. Remote visits (by phone and/or Zoom) are also likely to be a component of the internship.

<u>DOROT Westchester</u> (In-person preferred)

This intern will focus on two key DOROT Westchester Programs, the Response Team and Onsite Programming. In this role, the intern will be given the opportunity to learn two programs that represent a spectrum of DOROT options, home-based with 1:1 engagement with a volunteer as well as a group peer-only program that meets in the community. Additionally, this intern will provide support to a wide range of DOROT clients who live in Westchester County, from those who are quite frail and would identify as more isolated, to those who are more active with fewer mobility concerns.

<u>Impact and Evaluation</u> (Remote preferred)

The intern in this department will conduct client surveys and code qualitative data based on their findings. The Impact and Evaluation Team engages with many older adults, which requires excellent phone communication skills. This intern will also complete literature reviews on issues related to social connection, volunteer engagement, and intergenerational programming.

Intergenerational Program Engagement (IPE) (In-person preferred)

This intern will call older adults to recruit for programs and assist with questions that arise within the IPE Dept., often times relating to the GENuine Connections program, specifically. The IPE Dept. works offers programs for older adults to engage with youth and teens. Due to the in-person nature of many of these programming opportunities, it is ideal for this intern to work in-person in the late afternoon and early evening. This intern will provide support to the IPE Team and their programs by sending reminders to registrants, completing data entry and

assisting with facilitation. There may also be a need for assisting older adults with technology and travel in order to participate in these activities.

Kosher Meals at Home (KMH) (Hybrid preferred)

Interns in the KMH Dept., will communicate and learn about engaging people 60 - 104 who are confronting food insecurity and other challenges. These interns will learn how to work with a more frail and vulnerable population who, in addition to needing food might, be experiencing mental health and memory issues along with hearing and mobility challenges. This role focuses on making weekly phone calls for meal orders along with checking-in about a client's status. You will gain new skills of engagement and learn about breaking down social isolation as we support our client's nutritional needs.

Volunteer Services (VS) (Hybrid preferred)

The VS intern will primarily work on various aspects of the administration of the Response Team (RT) program. This program helps older adults by connecting with volunteers who are able to run errands, assist with tasks, provide company during an activity, outing, or just a social visit. The intern in this department may also help with birthday calls to older adults, in-person engagements and assigning volunteers to these types of opportunities. This intern may also be asked to assist with tasks related to other VS programs and general volunteer onboarding. There is a great deal of contact between this intern and older adults. Comfort in speaking over the phone is required.

For more information about any of these opportunities or DOROT's Academic Internship in general, please contact Sharon Stahl, Manager of Volunteer Recruitment and Engagement, at sstahl@dorotusa.org.