## north shore senior center

## TITLE: Graduate Level Internship Opportunities

## EMPLOYER: North Shore Senior Center

## LOCATION: Arthur C. Nielsen, Jr. Campus in Northfield, IL or Niles, IL

Are you passionate about serving older adults? Would you like to make a difference in the lives of those we serve? If you answered yes, then you will enjoy getting educational internship credit toward your graduate degree with North Shore Senior Center! We are in search of caring and compassionate student interns to join our organization for the 2024-2025 academic year.

NSSC is a small non-profit social services agency with just over 100 employees. For the fourth year in a row, *Chicago Tribune* has recognized NSSC as a Top Workplace in the Chicagoland area. We work hard to foster a very supportive work environment that promotes a healthy work-life balance. We invest in the training and support of our interns as they complete their internship.

Our graduate level internship opportunities include: 1) Adult Protective Services Program, 2) Care Coordination, 3) Comprehensive Class Member Transition Program, or 4) House of Welcome Adult Day Program.

- 1. The Adult Protective Services team investigates allegations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of older adults and people with disabilities. When an allegation is substantiated, advocacy is offered to help mitigate the situation. Training and certification are provided.
- 2. Through Care Coordination, case managers conduct comprehensive assessments, establish person-centered care plans, and connect older adults and their families to resources including in-home services, home-delivered meals, and Medicaid. Training and certification are provided.
- 3. The Comprehensive Class Member Transition Program (Colbert Consent Decree Program) helps individuals who are currently residing in skilled nursing facilities move into the community and provides support after the move. Coordinators build and maintain relationships with staff in skilled nursing facilities, help educate residents about the program, review medical records, research community resources, coordinate with providers, and coordinate activities to support clients.
- 4. The House of Welcome Adult Day Program offers structured, therapeutic, small-group activities in a comfortable, home-like setting for those with various stages of memory loss and impairment. Contribute to programming that provides meaningful activity for participants. Training is provided.

In addition to these programs, students may facilitate support groups, help with applications for lowincome benefits, or participate in other programs offered through NSSC.

Generally, these internship opportunities are ideal for individuals pursuing their Master of Social Work, Psychology, or similar human services programs of study.

Our work is done Monday through Friday during typical business hours; therefore, all student internship hours must be completed within this timeframe.

Internships typically run from mid-late August through April. Please send your resume and area(s) of interest to <u>hr@nssc.org</u>.