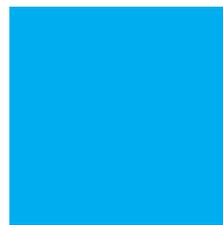
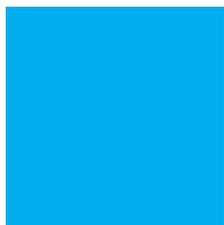




# Emerging Leaders: Bringing New Talent to the Workforce



*Are you a student with a disability looking for a meaningful summer internship? Are you interested in building a network that will open doors to a fulfilling career? If so, Emerging Leaders may be the program for you.*

Emerging Leaders is a competitive program of paid summer internships and leadership development opportunities for college and graduate students with disabilities coordinated by the National Business & Disability Council (NBDC) at The Viscardi Center.

### To qualify you must:

- ★ Self-identify as a person with a qualified disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended;
- ★ Have completed a minimum of 60 college/university-level credits;
- ★ Maintain at least a 2.8 GPA (some participating employers require higher);
- ★ Maintain student status the semester following your internship (graduating seniors immediately continuing on to graduate-level study may also apply);
- ★ Have a U.S. citizenship or be a documented individual legally authorized to work in the U.S.

### To apply:

- ★ Complete the application on the NBDC website [www.nbdc.com](http://www.nbdc.com);
- ★ Include a 500-word essay on how living with a disability has impacted your life;
- ★ Include a business-appropriate resume;
- ★ Submit a transcript for the latest completed semester (unofficial transcript accepted);
- ★ Check the NBDC website for application deadlines.

### A word from past Emerging Leaders

“My Emerging Leaders internship was an ideal introduction into corporate America and opened my eyes to possible career paths. My manager and colleagues mentored me and ensured that I had every opportunity to gain new skills, grow my strengths, and network. My experience this summer is invaluable.”

KYLIE LONG  
Emory College  
Emerging Leaders Class of 2012

“The internship has prepared me to tackle the real world and have confidence in doing so. Truly, Emerging Leaders is like no other program. You receive guidance and opportunities to grow and learn. I will forever remember this program as the first major stepping-stone to the real world.”

JASON LEE  
New York University  
Emerging Leaders Class of 2012

“The Emerging Leaders is an outstanding, innovative and inspiring program. The program assists companies in finding new, outstanding talent while also considering diversity and inclusion in their hiring practices. It allowed me to gain hands-on experience in the insurance field. The program has helped me to develop strong leadership skills, independence and confidence.”

ROLANDO MARTINEZ  
Lehman College,  
Emerging Leaders Class of 2012



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