The Arc of Indiana, a statewide advocacy organization for people with disabilities, strives to empower people and inspire change in many ways – including expanding employment opportunities for people with disabilities. Through The Arc of Indiana Foundation, postsecondary vocational training opportunities are available at the Erskine Green Training Institute. After receiving training at EGTI, students apply those skills through internships at the Courtyard Muncie at Horizon Convention Center developed by our for-profit, Arc Innovations, at the Thr3e Wise Men Brewing Co., restaurant located at the Courtyard Muncie and at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital.

"Ethan has grown by leaps and bounds! He seems to be thriving in the environment. He's so enthusiastic and is clearly becoming more independent. We are just thrilled!"

— EGTI student parent



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Creating employment opportunities for people with disabilities







"We really cannot express how grateful we are for this opportunity. Olando calls every day and says how wonderful the program is and how much he is learning!"

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About

The Erskine Green Training Institute's programming is designed for individuals whose academic, social, communication and adaptive skills are affected due to a disability. Most applicants would have received special education services in the K-12 setting and exited their secondary school with a diploma, GED or certificate of completion. EGTI is a certificate program (not an accredited college degree program). Participants may also earn additional industry recognized certifications depending upon the program selected.

Our Curriculum

At the beginning of each training session, students receive instruction on topics within health and wellness as well as other life skills such as using public transportation. All training sessions are broken down into sequential units that are individually taught during classroom and lab time. Once students have shown proficiency in a unit, job-shadowing and hands-on opportunities are scheduled for those skills. Skills build upon one another until students have mastered the entire job. At this point, internships begin. They train and intern in either the hotel, Thr3e Wise Men Brewing Co., or IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital while completing their program.

Internship hours and work readiness skills are the focus during the last month of each training session. Classroom time is scheduled around internship hours. Work readiness topics include a variety of job search, acquisition and retention skills, and interpersonal and personal quality skills necessary for employment. No more than 20 students are accepted in any session.

Current Programs

Ranging in length between nine and 13 weeks, students have a choice of vocational training including: Front Desk Agent and Heart of House in a hotel, Patient Transporter, Environmental Services and Dietary Services in a hospital, or Prep Cook, Dishwasher, Server Assistant and Host in a restaurant. More programming is in development for the future.

Tuition and Fees

For a complete list of program tuition and fees including room and board, please visit the website at http://www.erskinegreeninstitute.org/admissions/tuition-fees/.

Student Life

Students live, work and play at the Courtyard Muncie and have many opportunities to explore the Muncie community. Students may also choose to commute. A meal plan is included in the room and board fee and offers several dining choices including those available at Ball State University. Supervised evening and weekend stays and outings are part of the well-rounded student experience. An overnight staff person is provided as well as nurse consultation during specific hours throughout the week. The opportunity to develop friendships, increase independent living skills and engage in hands-on learning is all critical in our whole person approach to help each student not only be job ready, but life ready.

Career Sampling Sessions and General Tours

Students can visit EGTI during any of the monthly general tours offered and can even explore further by registering for one of our Career Sampling Sessions. For details, visit the website at http://www.erskinegreeninstitute.org/curriculum/ career-sampling-sessions/.