



FSA Internship Program 2022 Internship Opportunities

Friends House Retirement Community

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Overview:

Friends House Retirement Community is a faith-based non-profit retirement community that includes an affordable housing partnership on campus. It is unique among retirement communities in Maryland in that it is also a registered village – a neighborhood with internal and external supports designed aging-in-community.

From the tradition of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), Friends House holds the values of Friends known by the acronym SPICES: Simplicity, Peace and Non-violence, Integrity, Community, Equality, Stewardship, and Sustainability.

Friends have a practice of inclusion in decision making known as Sense of the Meeting. It is a practice of deep listening and discernment that is now recognized more in secular settings as being beneficial to solving problems in a group setting. At Friends House, we often hear the expression, “Nothing about us without us.” In that spirit, residents of Friends House contribute in significant ways to the life of the community, via their own 501C-3 non-profit, the Friends House Seniors Association.

Friends House is a 62 acre campus located at 17340 Quaker Lane, Sandy Spring, Maryland. Sandy Spring is a small town, rich in natural beauty and Quaker history. It is also mid-way between Washington, DC and Baltimore. It is a forty-five minute drive to downtown Baltimore and a forty-five minute drive to downtown, DC. There are lots of local restaurants, shops, museums and a world-class theatre within three miles of the campus.

Resident Services Internship

Description of Internship

The ideal candidate would be someone studying Psychology, Social Work or Healthcare management. They would benefit from this internship by gaining experience in implementing systems serving our independent living residents.

The intern would be supervised by the Resident Services Coordinator.

Educational Objectives and Project Goals

Educational Objectives:

1. Learn about the unique needs of older adult populations from a diverse income group.
2. Learn about the various departments involved in resident services in a retirement community.
3. Learn facilitation and communication methods for older adult populations and their families.

Project Goals:

1. Research available resources and expand existing resource library.
2. Develop person-centered program for individuals with unique needs and preferences.
3. Interview residents and develop project that draws upon resident biographies.

Describe Intern Living Conditions

Friends House has several vacant apartments. These apartments would be used for Intern Housing. Friends House housed interns will also be able to utilize the dining room.

Can this Internship go virtual if need be?

Unfortunately no, this internship is best experienced here on site. We test twice a week and have regular vaccination clinics.