

## ENTRY POINT PROJECT

Post Secondary students with disabilities have often been left out of the part-time job market – but now they are getting a boost with a new Ontario government program called Entry Point.

Entry Point is a provincially funded program which assists post-secondary students to obtain part-time employment throughout the year. Four community agencies ( JobStart, AYCE; a division of Tropicana Community Services, St Stephen’s Community House, and Youth Employment Service – YES), have come together to form a partnership to deliver this project. With funding from ODSP Employment Supports, Entry Point is able to provide **free** job development and employment services to college and university students with disabilities across Toronto to help them find part-time work.

Entry Point is available to part time, full time, or continuing education students living with a disability and attending a Toronto post-secondary program who want to find part time employment.

Entry Point assists students with pre-employment services, job placement and placement support including:

- One-on-one assistance with resumes, cover letters, and interview skills
- Tips to market yourself more effectively to employers
- Interviews with potential employers
- On site visits to employers to determine accessibility requirements
- Accommodation assistance for employers

“As a student I needed ways to access employment that was career related. Entry Point has given me a good start. Entry Point has given me direction, helped me focus on my employment objectives, and given me an opportunity to obtain work in my field of study. I am gaining hands on work experience in a career I hope to build on and I am able to give back to my community”

*(Entry Point Participant)*

“ Entry Point arranged job interviews with potential employers which helped me get a part-time job. This free, accessible service was

terrific, especially because my job developer came and met me right at my school when it was convenient for me.

*(Entry Point Participant)*

If you would like more information about this free service or would like to discuss eligibility please contact Entry Point at 416-253-2720, TTY 416-253-2726, or email at [entrypoint@jobstart-cawl.org](mailto:entrypoint@jobstart-cawl.org).

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