

WHAT IS PROTREK?

ProTrek is an immersive, eleven-week experience that allows participants to rise to new heights, achieve personal and professional goals, and broaden their horizons in a variety of contexts. This transformative offering provides youth and young adults (ages 14-18) with academic training, intellectual and emotional guidance, paid work experience, and most of all—fun!

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Phase One

ProTrek students will attend eleven weeks of workshops—one workshop per week. There are many exciting options to choose from, so students can participate in whichever workshops fall within their schedules and areas of interest. ProTrek semesters are offered twice a year.

- Summer Semester (April - August)
- Fall Semester (October – December)

Upon completing *Phase One*, students will receive a cash stipend.

Phase Two

ProTrek students who successfully complete ALL classes and employment readiness workshops will be eligible to participate in *Phase Two: Paid Work Experience*.

- Paid Work Experience will be determined by each participant's individual abilities, interests, and availability.
- Paid Work Experience will allow students to apply the skills they have learned during their eleven week training.
- Paid Work Experience opportunities do not apply to in-school cohorts or intensive cohorts.



WHAT IS INCLUDED?

Case Management

- Students will work with our team to identify and achieve individualized goals, overcome personal and professional obstacles, and connect with resources within the GRCCT network.

Leadership Development

- Students will participate in training sessions that increase their organizational abilities, management expertise, and social skills in both the personal and professional sphere.

Employment Workshops

- Students will engage in educational seminars that provide them with workplace and professionalism training, mock interviews, and resumé building.

Financial Literacy

- Students will have the opportunity to participate in workshops that focus on money management, fiscal responsibility, and economic understanding.

Mentor Match

- Based on availability, ProTrek students will be eligible to connect with a mentor: a personal advisor that will help them accomplish their goals and make the most of their eleven-week experience.

Ancillary Activities

- Students will be offered a number of fun and exciting opportunities for discovery, enjoyment, and growth. Examples of past activities include: college tours of local campuses, participation in athletic events, and field trips to local destinations (i.e., John Ball Zoo, Michigan Adventure, etc.).

Dinners & Bus Passes

- Transportation assistance is available for ProTrek participants if necessary.
- A complimentary dinner will be provided with each workshop or class session.