CA School for the Blind GoodMaps Senior Internship
12/2021- 6/2022

GoodMaps/ APH Research (How Many Schools for the Blind?)

CSB’s Newark Memorial High School Mainstream Program

Transition Partnership Program

CA Department of Rehabilitation
Interns’ Responsibilities & Duties

Weekly Internship Meetings & group app testing activities

Competitive Analysis: Each intern assigned a navigation app that they compared to GoodMaps Explore (Google Maps, Blindsquare, Soundscape, Lazarillo)

Complete Career Education assignments & activities

Complete research activity sheets for specific app functions like creating points of interests

Actively participate in webinars suggested by the GoodMaps team

Post on CSB’s social media about the internship & the GoodMaps app

Meet with their mentors to discuss progress on their research and their final presentation

Present at this symposium!
What is GoodMaps Explore

History of App
Where to find the app
Unique features like be my eyes link for end of route
Indoor Navigation
Creating User Points of Interest
Guest Speakers and Meetings on Zoom
Elliott from GoodMaps visited CSB to scan one of the dorms.
Career Education Component

Writing Professional Emails

“Tell me a little bit about yourself” speech

Meeting with CA Department of Rehabilitation counselor
Field Trip to Zellerbach Hall at UC Berkeley

First time testing the indoor navigation function of the app inside Zellerbach Hall

College campus experience

Interns met UC Berkeley employees who talked about their jobs
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Resources

Link to YouTube video about writing professional emails

Link to Route Creation Research Activity

Link to Joe Strechay video "Tell me a little bit about yourself, disability and disclosure"

A link to NFB's Where The Blind Work Webinars

A link to Accessible World's Website with Tek Talk archive