



AM I QUALIFIED?

We are looking for interns who meet the following requirements...

- > Junior or senior in an undergraduate program or enrolled in a graduate program
- > Majoring in a human services field such as social work, psychology, human development, sociology, or non-profit management
- > Interested in adolescent issues and providing non-judgmental, non-directive, confidential support
- > Eligible to receive university or college credit (preferred)
- > Some weekend/evening availability is a **HUGE** plus as we operate 24/7
- > Bilingual English/Spanish is also a plus but not required
- > **Available for a minimum of one academic year** (8-12 hours/week for undergrads; 12-15 hours/week for graduate students)

OR

- > **Available for the summer** (typically May through August; 12-15 hours/week)

HOW DO I APPLY?

There are two steps to apply:

1. Email your résumé to Sabrina Hampton, NRS' trainer, at shampton@1800RUNAWAY.org
2. Fill out our online application: <http://bitly.com/NRSinternapp>

WHERE IS NRS LOCATED?

NRS, and all of our internships, are located at **3141 B N. Lincoln Ave, Chicago, IL 60657**

SUMMER & ACADEMIC YEAR CRISIS SERVICES CENTER INTERNSHIP / FIELD STUDY

WHAT DOES THE ORGANIZATION DO?

The mission of the National Runaway Safeline (NRS) is to keep America's runaway, homeless and at-risk youth safe and off the streets. With the support of more than 120 volunteers, NRS makes 250,000 connections to help and hope through hotline, online and offline resources annually. NRS provides crisis intervention, referrals to local resources, and education and prevention services to youth, families, and community members throughout the country 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. For more information, visit 1800RUNAWAY.org.

WHAT DOES AN NRS INTERN DO?

Responds to crises on our 24-hour national hotline and digital service platforms (interactive live chat, crisis email, forum)

Assists with training crisis line volunteers completing role plays, listen-in shifts, and supervision shifts

Works on projects related to the intern's skills/interests and NRS' needs—tasks allow interns to receive direct experience in helping to empower youth and families and working for a non-profit. Examples of past projects:

- > co-facilitating training sessions for volunteers
- > creating continuing education materials on topics related to runaway and homeless youth
- > updating and creating resources for our crisis services center
- > scheduling outside speakers on relevant topics
- > promoting our prevention program and use of our *Let's Talk: Runaway Prevention Curriculum*

Completes synopses of crisis communications and discusses with field placement or internship supervisor

DO INTERNS RECEIVE TRAINING?

NRS provides each intern with a comprehensive 40-hour, trauma-sensitive, solution-focused crisis intervention training program before answering crisis calls and digital services independently. This training includes classroom and experiential practice and is provided by NRS at **no cost** to the intern.