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LOCAL UM STUDENT INTERNS AT DISABILITIES WORKPLACE

MISSOULA, Mont. --

Bridget Green of Greenwich, N.Y., a sophomore in general studies at The University of Montana-Missoula, has picked up some practical experience this semester through an internship administered by UM's Center for Work-based Learning.

She has volunteered at Missoula's Opportunity Resources Inc., helping people with disabilities in their work environment. She also has worked with these people in a poetry-writing class.

Green is a 1996 graduate of Greenwich Central High School. Her parents are George and Carol Green.

The Center for Work-based Learning at UM's Center for Continuing Education and Summer Programs helps students integrate their academic education with practical job experience by developing internship opportunities and coordinating placement activities with employers and faculty advisers. It serves about 1,800 students a year, placing 400 to 500 of them as interns throughout Montana and the nation in more than 35 fields of employment.

Information about the work-based learning program is available at (406) 243-4614 or on the Web at http://www.umt.edu/coop intern.

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