Requirements for Career Explorers

Eligibility

To participate in the NXTGen Workforce Solutions program, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- High School Graduate
- Under the Age of 30
- **Initial Interview**: Candidates will undergo an interview focused on assessing:
 - o Accountability for actions.
 - o Reliability in job performance and attendance.
 - A single reference from a teacher, family friend, preacher, counselor, employer, or coach.

Commitments

Participants must commit to the following:

- **Program Duration**: Complete a 12-month program.
- **Preparatory Program**: Fulfill all requirements of the initial preparation phase.
- **Internships**: Actively participate and complete assigned internships.
- Skill-Building Workshops: Attend workshops covering:
 - o Resume writing.
 - o Interview skills.
 - Professional networking.
- Job Shadowing: Engage in all assigned job shadow opportunities.
- Use of Job Platforms: Agree to utilize NXTGen-provided resources, including job boards, networking sites, and career development tools.
- **Professionalism**: Demonstrate a willingness to learn, respect others, and engage with program resources.
- Guest Speaker Sessions: Attend talks from industry experts and career advisors.

Preparatory Program

The program begins with foundational activities designed to set participants up for success:

- Skills Analysis and Testing: Take part in assessments to identify areas for improvement.
- **Aptitude Counseling**: Participate in one-on-one sessions to explore strengths and career interests.

• **Transportation Readiness**: Ensure reliable transportation to and from assigned companies for internships, job shadowing, and other program activities.

Internships

Participants will gain practical experience through carefully designed internship opportunities:

- **Hands-On Experience**: Work on real projects relevant to your field of interest.
- Professional Supervision: Receive guidance from experienced mentors.
- Feedback and Evaluations: Learn from constructive feedback to enhance your skills.
- **Career Insights**: Observe professionals in action, gaining valuable perspectives on daily tasks and responsibilities.
- Exploration and Growth: Ask questions, explore different career paths, and uncover new opportunities.

This program offers a comprehensive approach to career development, combining education, hands-on experience, and professional mentorship to prepare young adults for a successful future.