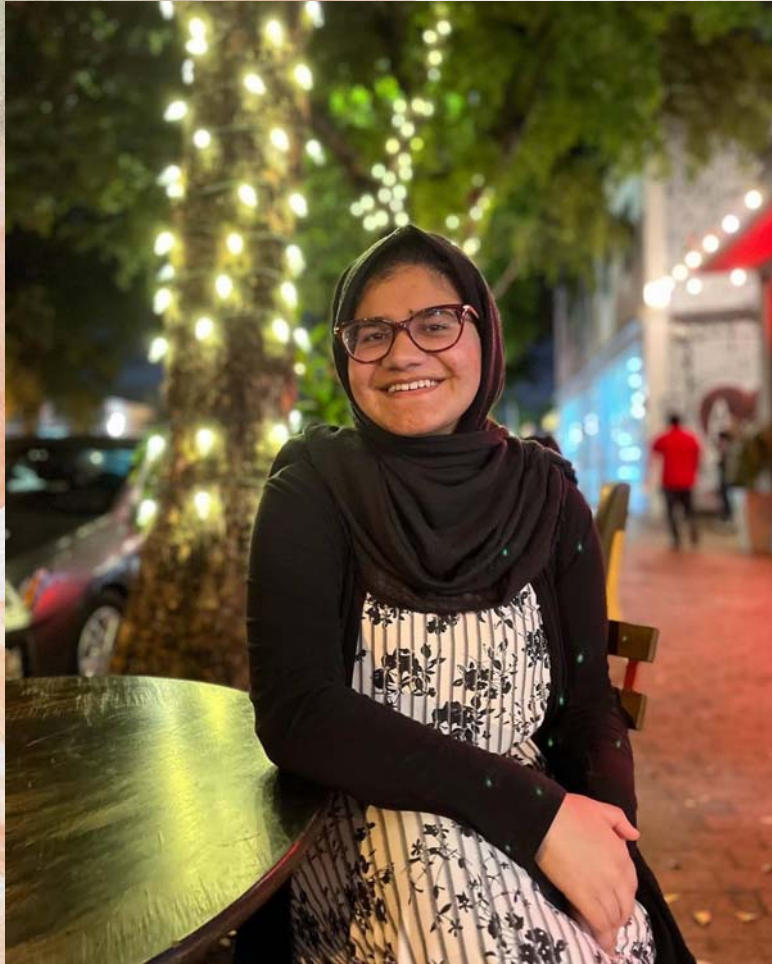




# My Internship at Kennedy Krieger


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**Neurodiversity at Work**





# About Me

- Senior at University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC)
- Public health major → Population health track
- **Dream job:** Health Educator
- **Fun Facts:**
  - I was born in Brooklyn, New York and lived there for 12 years.
  - I can speak three languages.



# Neurodiversity at Work Responsibilities

Project SEARCH Trainee

- Provide support to interns and community members with their internships and employment opportunities.
- Fill out reports about the community members to summarize how they are doing at work.
- Communicate with the community members and their families at the end of every week to discuss their successes and challenges.





# Interview Candidates

**Heather Hinson –  
Employment Training  
Specialist –  
Project SEARCH**

Heather got Lasik surgery over the summer. Also, she used to have two pet rabbits.

**Jennifer Wallace -  
Parent**

Jennifer used to be a gymnast at the University of Minnesota.

**Ted Goldsborough –  
Community Member**

Ted loves to spend time with family . They are descendants of Spanish kings and have German and English ancestors.

**Brianna Stewart –  
Community Member**

Bri started writing an autobiography years ago and plans on starting to work on it again.

# What I've Learned

- People with disabilities are just like everyone else and have the same needs and wants.
- The Neurodiversity at Work program offers opportunities to people with disabilities that they wouldn't find elsewhere.
- Kennedy Krieger is a very inclusive and supportive workplace for everyone!





# Themes



## Opportunities

Bri and Ted were both provided opportunities that other places do not provide.

## Support

Heather and Ted feel like the people at Kennedy Krieger are very supportive.

## Confidence

Jennifer and Heather feel that Project SEARCH helps the interns gain more confidence.



# Letter to Future Intern

Dear future intern,

Congratulations on getting accepted to Kennedy Krieger! Interning here will be an amazing experience, where you'll get to meet so many awesome staff members, interns, and community members. Everyone here is so supportive and friendly. They will go out of their way to help you in any way possible and help you to succeed. Kennedy Krieger is a wonderful place to grow professionally. You are a part of the Neurodiversity at Work team from the very beginning, so your responsibilities make you feel like you're doing important work, not just busy work.

Kennedy Krieger provides a meaningful impact on the community. You will learn so much about people with disabilities that you won't be able to learn anywhere else. You'll learn how to communicate with the community members, how to help them set goals, and more. Kennedy Krieger is a wonderful place to intern, and you'll be very happy here.

Good luck!  
Rumsha





Thank You!