



Graduate Assistant Position

Beginning Fall 2026 (AY2026-2027)



Missouri Mentoring Partnership is seeking a Graduate Assistant to serve as a **Youth Specialist** for **Fall 2026-Spring 2027**. This position provides an excellent opportunity for students to gain hands-on experience working with older youth and young parents while developing core professional skills in a supportive learning environment.

Primary Duties

- Manage a caseload of participants in the Worksite Mentoring and Young Parent Mentoring programs while maintaining regular communication with clients and referral agencies.
- Support clients in working toward their personal, educational, and employment goals.
- Facilitate Job Readiness classes and assist with monthly program groups and community outreach events.
- Maintain accurate, timely documentation while ensuring client confidentiality.
- Apply knowledge, theories, and evidence-based practices when working with teen parents and older youth transitioning from state custody and/or juvenile justice programs.
- Opportunity for this position to serve as a **social work practicum placement**, if approved.

Qualifications

- Meet all eligibility requirements for a Graduate Assistantship through the Missouri State University Graduate College (<https://graduate.missouristate.edu/currentstudents/Assistantships.htm>)
- Be enrolled in the Master program at Missouri State University, with preference to current students within the School of Mental Health and Behavioral Sciences.
- Strong communication, interpersonal, organizational, and documentation skills.
- A genuine interest in working with youth, young parents, and underserved populations.
- Previous experience in case management, social services, mentoring, education, behavioral health, or working with at-risk youth is **welcome but not required**.
- Candidates with volunteer experience, practicum experience or looking to build human service skills are encouraged to apply. We value candidates who are compassionate, dependable, eager to learn and committed to supporting youth and young families.
- Must be available to work 20 hours per week between the hours of 9 am -5 pm, Monday – Friday, with occasional evenings/ and weekends.

Our programs:

Worksite Mentoring Program: Connects youth with workplace mentors to develop career readiness, employment skills, and pathways to stable employment.

Young Parent Mentoring Program: Matches young parents with community mentors while providing parenting education, support, and access to essential childcare resources.

Applications reviewed upon submission

To apply, submit cover letter and resume to:

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