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*of Boston*



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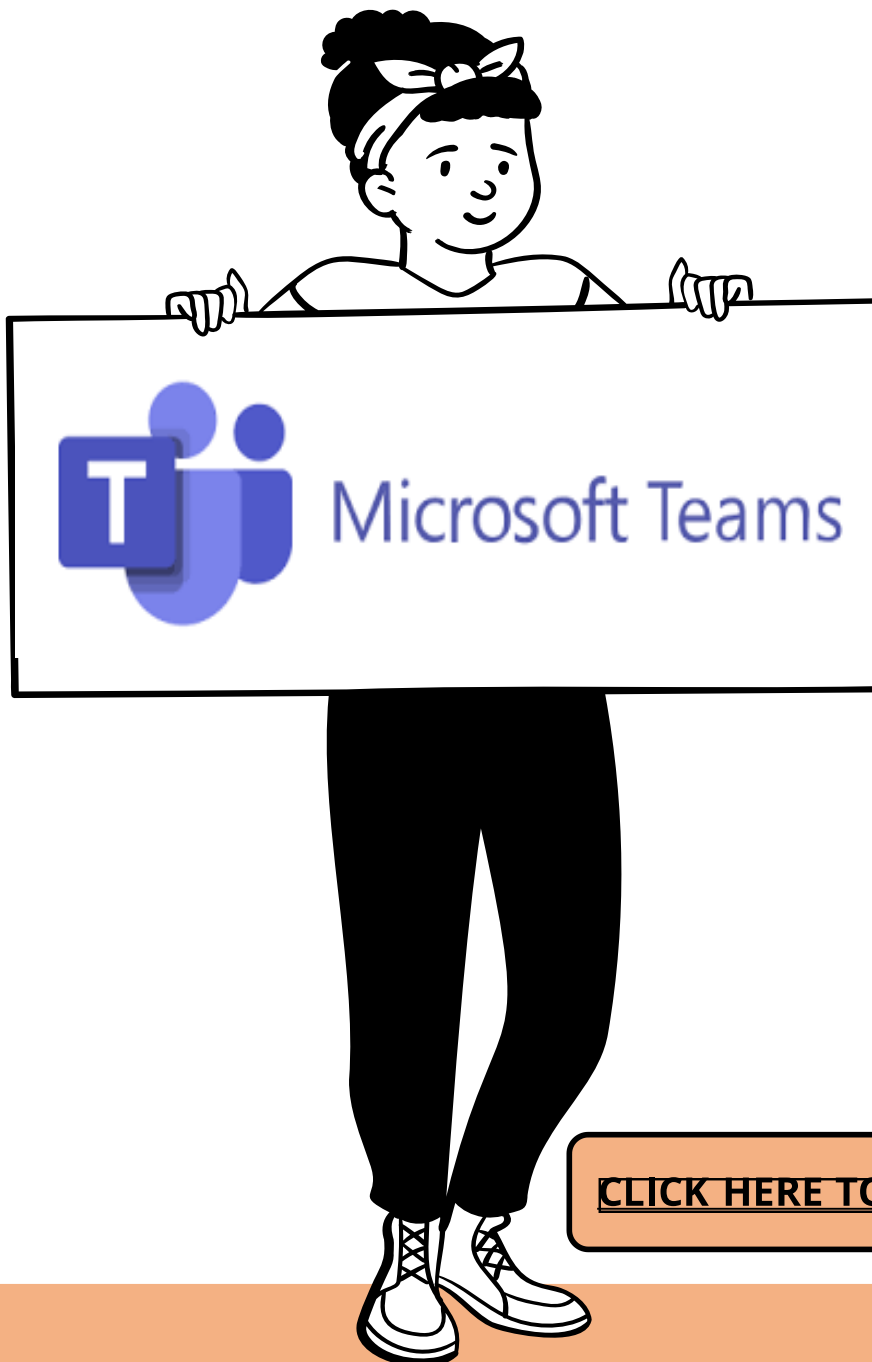
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WORKSHOPS PROVIDED BY UCB. JOIN US!

Tuesday, February 28th from 6pm-7pm

Urban College of Boston  
Invites you to join us to a **WORKSHOP** on  
"How to use **Microsoft Teams**"



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# February Lunch Break

Thursday Feb. 16th  
1:00 - 1:45 pm

Join Student Services and the LRC  
team for a **virtual** lunch break!

## Avoiding Burnout

presented by the LRC

## February Focus Group

presented by Student Services



# CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

## ATTN: Boston Teachers...

### Teach at Bright Horizons & We'll Pay for Your College Education!

*What if you could start your teaching career—and stop paying tuition?*

As an Urban College of Boston student, you have the opportunity to come work in one of our **Bright Horizons®** early learning centers, and we'll pay your tuition (including books and fees) from next semester on.

*What else can you get with a Bright Horizons career?*

- ← Ongoing **training and development** opportunities.
- ← **Competitive wage**, health insurance, a flexible schedule, and PTO.
- ← Bring your authentic self to work each day. We want you to **Be You**.
- ← Collaborate with teachers and use our **groundbreaking curriculum** to make your classroom the very best.

Visit [bit.ly/BostonTeachBH](https://bit.ly/BostonTeachBH) or scan the QR code to learn more!



*Build a brighter future with us.*

# Tufts Medicine Job Fair

Join us Tuesday, March 7



## All attendees will be entered into a drawing to win an Amazon Echo Show!

Our recruiters will be onsite and ready to speak with you about the exciting positions throughout Tufts Medicine including Tufts Medical Center, MelroseWakefield Hospital, Lawrence Memorial Hospital, Care at Home, Lowell General Hospital and Tufts Medicine Corporate positions.

Join us to learn about all of the exciting career opportunities throughout Tufts Medicine.

- Competitive pay
- 403b matching
- Medical, dental and vision
- Career pathway programs
- Hybrid and flexible work
- Reimbursement for tuition and certifications
- Generous PTO

**Tufts**Medicine

Tuesday, March 7  
4 – 8 pm

The Lawrence  
Memorial/Regis College  
School of Nursing  
170 Governors Ave  
Medford, MA 02155

Accessible via public  
transportation: Subway  
and trains require a  
bus connection (short  
walk from bus stops).

*Be sure to check maps.*

Free onsite parking



SCAN TO REGISTER  
FOR THE HIRING EVENT

Explore open roles  
at [tuftsmedicine.org/  
careers](https://tuftsmedicine.org/careers)



## CHIEF OF STAFF

THE FEARLESS LEADER IN  
HOSPITALITY STAFFING

### ARE YOU SEEKING A FUN & CONSISTENT:

- Server
- Bartender
- Chef
- Line/Grill Cook
- Prep Cook
- Dishwasher
- Food Service Worker
- Other

### OPPORTUNITY THIS SEASON?



# TURN YOUR FREE TIME INTO PAID TIME SUPPORTING TOP EVENTS & VENUES

### TEAM MEMBER PERKS:

- Competitive Hourly Wages
- Best Work Opportunities in the Region
- WORK WHEN & WHERE YOU WANT
- Growth/Advancement Options
- Health/Vision/Dental/Voluntary Benefits Available
- Quick & Easy Digital On-boarding Process
- Weekly Pay
- Direct Deposit
- Travel Incentives
- Team Environment & Culture

### IMMEDIATE WORK AVAILABLE



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to apply & learn more



# HELPFUL RESOURCES



## SHOW ME THE MONEY

**FREE Tax Preparation Starting January 30th for Boston and Mystic Valley Residents Who Earned up to \$60,000 Last Year.**

**Call ABCD to Schedule an In-Person Appointment Today**

*Pay off debt, add to your savings with a lump-sum tax return payment.*

Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD) urges all residents of Boston and the Mystic Valley who earned **\$60,000** or less in 2022 to schedule a **FREE** in-person tax prep appointment **TODAY** at one of our neighborhood sites by calling **617-348-6329** or visiting [bostonabcd.org/tax](https://bostonabcd.org/tax).

ABCD is a co-founder of the **Boston Tax Help Coalition**, a public-private collaboration with the **City of Boston**, which seeks to ensure the full participation of all Boston residents in the City's economic vitality and future. In addition, ABCD is a member of the Massachusetts Association for Community Action (MASSCAP) Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) network and offers free tax preparation services in the Mystic Valley Area. Both the Boston and Mystic Valley coalitions fall under the federal VITA program.

Beginning January 30, ABCD's IRS-certified tax preparers will prepare and electronically submit returns through in-person appointments and document drop off. Last year, ABCD helped **2,565** residents complete their state and federal tax returns, resulting in **\$6,431,747** in federal and state refunds combined, **\$1,454,056** in Earned Income Tax Credits (EITC) and **\$72,597** in Child Tax Credits (CTC). That economic infusion channeled dollars back to hardworking families and revitalized businesses in under-resourced neighborhoods. For over 30 years, ABCD has provided more than 150,000 people across the city with free tax preparation services. A list of required documents to complete tax returns can be found [here](#).

Those who may qualify for free tax preparation services include:

- People who earned \$60,000 or less in 2022
- People with disabilities
- Limited English-speaking taxpayers.



ABCD tax volunteers are multilingual, and fluent in eight languages including English, Spanish, French, Mandarin, Cantonese, Vietnamese, Cape Verdean Creole and Haitian Creole.

“ABCD is proud to be a longstanding partner of the VITA program and the Boston Tax Help Coalition,” said ABCD President and CEO Sharon Scott-Chandler. “Free tax preparation services help empower people who are struggling by providing the necessary IRS-certified tax experts to complete their returns, ensuring that Greater Boston residents obtain every tax credit to which they are entitled. In doing so, money is channeled directly back into the hands of residents and under-resourced communities. People have an opportunity they don’t often have to access a lump sum of their hard earned cash and pay off debts or save toward things like buying a house or furthering education. With extraordinarily high food and energy prices today, they are also able to help meet immediate needs like rent and transportation.”

ABCD’S IRS-certified tax preparers will make sure that residents receive every tax relief measure to which they are entitled, including:

- **EITC – Earned Income Tax Credit** – one of America’s most effective anti-poverty initiatives – EITC is a tax deduction that rewards work. This year a Married Filing Jointly family with three or more children earning up to **\$59,187** and filing jointly will receive total federal and state **EITC deductions of \$9,016** off their 2022 income tax. EITC can be claimed retroactively for the past three years, so eligible taxpayers can qualify for a sizable sum. **The IRS estimates that one out of five eligible taxpayers will not claim EITC and will lose out on this important credit.**
- **CTC – CHILD TAX CREDIT** – helps families get a tax break of \$2,000 in 2022 per qualifying child.
- **SENIOR CIRCUIT BREAKER** – a state tax deduction providing seniors age 65 and older who pay unsubsidized rent or property taxes. The maximum credit amount for tax year 2022 is **\$1,200**. If the credit owed exceeds the amount of the total tax payable for the year, the additional amount of the credit will be refunded without interest.

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**About ABCD:** A nonprofit human services community action organization, ABCD provides underserved residents of Boston and the Mystic Valley area, with the tools, support and resources they need to transition from poverty to stability and from stability to success. Each year, the organization serves more than 100,000 individuals, elders and families through a broad range of innovative initiatives as well as long-established, proven programs and services. For 60 years, ABCD has been deeply rooted in every neighborhood and community served, empowering individuals and families and supporting them in their quest to live with dignity and achieve their highest potential. For more, please visit [bostonabcd.org](http://bostonabcd.org).


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# UCB EVENTS

## LET'S DO THIS UCB!



WE ARE PARTNERING WITH **EVERYDAY BOSTON** IN  
THE “LOVE YOUR WICKED AWESOME NEIGHBOR” CHALLENGE  
JOIN ALL OF US AT UCB AND BE PART OF THIS CHALLENGE

### EVERYDAY BOSTON BELIEVES:

Strangers are just neighbors you don't know yet. And **everyone** can use a little extra kindness. So, this winter, we challenge you to:

1. Write some encouraging words on a piece of paper or a homemade card
2. Add your first name, your neighborhood, and #loveyourwickedawesomeneighbor
3. Hand your card to someone you don't know on Valentine's Day- or get us to do it for you!
4. Upload your card to [ValentineDrop@urbancollege.edu](mailto:ValentineDrop@urbancollege.edu) by **February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023**.





# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION FELLOWSHIP 2023

## Bachelor's Degree in Early Care and Education in Inclusive Settings (EECIS)



INSTITUTE FOR EARLY EDUCATION  
LEADERSHIP AND INNOVATION

CITY of BOSTON

### COMPLETE YOUR BACHELOR'S DEGREE



Are you an Early Childhood Educator looking to complete your bachelor's degree? Join our ECE Fellowship that will cover the cost of tuition and fees, as well as receiving academic advising, career, and tutoring support. This is a 3 year program for students who have completed 60 credits or more.

*Priority will be given to educators interested in the work with Infant and Toddlers.*

### FELLOWSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- Fellows must be fully accepted at UMass Boston before they begin.
- Fellows must be able to take courses offered in person on the UMass Boston campus, hybrid and online.
- Fellows must be able to complete their bachelor's degree by December 2025.
- Fellows must agree to work in the City of Boston as an Early Childhood Provider after graduation from the program.



### APPLICATION

- Complete this interest form to receive an invitation to an information session in February. You will be asked to complete an Application to the Fellowship (after the information session)
- Once invited to apply to the Fellowship, you should begin your application for admissions with UMass Boston. If you have college credit from another institution, request to receive copies of your official transcripts as soon as possible.
- Complete your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) for 2023-234.
- Early Childhood Fellows will be notified of their acceptance by May 2023.
- 50 Fellows will be selected



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[https://www.umb.edu/earlyed/institute/programs/early\\_childhood\\_fellowship\\_program](https://www.umb.edu/earlyed/institute/programs/early_childhood_fellowship_program)



[Interest Form](#)



# Public Health Laboratory Internship Opportunities

## Launch Your Story!

The Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL) and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) are seeking students who are interested in exploring a career in the laboratory sciences.

## APHL-CDC Public Health Laboratory Internship Initiative

APHL interns will join a public health laboratory team to make an impact on protecting the health of our communities. Interns assist scientists working on meaningful projects while building skills such as general lab practices (e.g., pipetting, calibrations, etc.), data analysis, report management, problem solving, teamwork, effective communication and more.

- **Eligible Candidates:** Current student enrolled at an accredited institution and in pursuit of a relevant certificate, associate's, bachelor's, master's or doctorate\* degree
- **Start and End Dates:** Flexible
- **Hours and Program Length:** Flexible hours with an average of 20 hours a week, length varies

Interns have the opportunity to network with laboratory professionals and be supervised by a mentor to help them during their internship.

\*Genomic Data Specialists Internship Only

### Application Requirements

- Completed application form
- Resume
- Reference (either academic or professional)
- College transcripts

### Internship Benefits

- Network with public health laboratory professionals
- Professional mentor
- Competitive stipend
- Build transferable skills



Learn More By Visiting:  
[www.aphl.org/Career-Pathways](http://www.aphl.org/Career-Pathways)



### About APHL

APHL works to strengthen laboratory systems serving the public's health in the U.S. and globally. APHL's member laboratories protect the public's health by monitoring and detecting infectious and foodborne diseases, environmental contaminants, terrorist agents, genetic disorders in newborns and other diverse health threats.



### What To Expect After Applying

APHL staff will contact selected candidates to discuss the location of available host laboratories.

- Intern placement is dependent on the availability of mentors.
- Mentors will reach out to selected candidates to schedule interviews.
- Candidate will either be offered a position with the mentor or will be returned to the pool for consideration by other mentors.

We have many mentors at many host laboratories and finding the right fit is an important part of this process!

**Start dates are flexible!**