

Kaylin Peavie, a graduating senior of Douglas Anderson School of the Arts is one of eleven 2017 Summer Internship Program award recipients! Kaylin aspires to become a



Nurse. With this in mind, Kaylin was placed at the Florida Training Academy under the leadership of Eunice Mathis.

Ms. Mathis had this to say about Kaylin's experience, "Kaylin is highly motivated and learned how to complete numerous job duties while interning at our organization. Such duties included: assisting the office manager with general office duties; learning multiple websites; educating potential customers about our course offerings and schedules; telephone etiquette, typing skills; assisting difficult customers; co-teaching safety and emergency classes; and learning the responsibilities of a small business owner.

Overall, it was a great summer. I would like to thank you and the AnnieRuth Foundation for allowing Florida Training Academy to serve as the hosting site for the second consecutive year!"

When asked her thoughts regarding her summer experience, Kaylin responded, "Under Ms. Eunice's leadership, I learned things about myself that I never knew. I learned that when interacting with customers over the phone, I can be perceived as coming off a little blunt. I began to pay attention to my interactions and was able to make a few internal adjustments so that I wouldn't be perceived in that manner. On the flip side, I learned how to effectively handle customers who came across as rude so that every interaction resulted in a positive outcome.

During my internship experience, I worked with a lot of amazing people who provided guidance and advice when I found myself faced with challenges. It was a wonderful experience. Overall, I had a summer filled with learning and fun. However, what became apparent while participating in this program is the fact that I do not want to become a nurse in the traditional sense of the profession (e.g., being directly involved with patient care). Rather, I'd like to focus on the administrative aspect of nursing. As a result, I am not going to major in nursing but in Healthcare Administration. Realizing this, I was provided an opportunity work for one week at Caring Hands Supports & Services where I learned more about healthcare administration. I'd like to thank the AnnieRuth Foundation for making this amazing summer experience possible!"

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