

NAME: FEIFEI CHEN DISCIPLINE: SOCIAL WORK

Past/current experiences working in the field of disabilities:

After getting a Psychology degree at New York University, I worked as an instructor at Manhattan Children's Center, providing ABA services for children with Autism. I also volunteered at Extreme Kids & Crew, a community organization that provides after-school and weekend activities for children and families with special needs in Brooklyn. Now, I am a social work student at the University of Chicago. My field placement for the following academic year is at Sonia Shankman Orthogenic School at the University of Chicago. I will work with children and adolescents struggling with severe emotional challenges.

Goals for your LEND training experience:

My goal for the LEND training experience is to gain more experiences of working with children with disabilities and learn from trainees of other disciplines. I also hope to develop stronger leadership skills and learn more about public health policies through the program so that I can be a better advocate for children with disabilities and their families.

What you wish to contribute, in the future, as a professional/family member in the field:

In the future, I hope to continue working with children with disabilities and their families. I also plan to participate in research projects on evidence-based practices. I hope to become a better practitioner and advocate for the children and their families.