**Our Mission:** At Meeting Street, our mission to empower all children to reach their full potential begins as early as the first days of their lives. Meeting Street Early Intervention (EI) provides evaluations, therapeutic services and support for children from birth to age 3 and for their families. A child may need services for a variety of reasons - from complications associated with low birth weight to diagnosed medical conditions to developmental delays. Regardless of the need, Meeting Street is ready to help.

**Our Philosophy:** We believe in creating an environment that fosters true inclusion - a world where all children can laugh together, play together, and learn together. Our caring and dedicated professionals partner with children, young adults, families, educators, clinicians, businesses and community members throughout Rhode Island to help all children and young adults broaden their horizons and achieve their goals. Our challenge is to create a world where individuals of all abilities truly belong - a world free of stigmas or preconceived notions that hinder anyone's ability to enjoy a full and meaningful life.

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**Internship opportunities:** Internships may be available at Meeting Street for students studying Early Childhood Education, Special Education, Nursing, Social Work, Therapy, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language Pathology and Nutrition. Interns will have the opportunity to learn how Early Intervention services are administered. Depending on the goals and skill level of an individual EI intern, experiences and responsibilities may include, but are not limited to the following:

- Adherence to all human resources requirements including reference checks, a criminal background check and any other required processes as needed.
- Shadowing of Family Service EI staff when they accompany staff on home visits.
- Assisting with evaluations, under the supervision of an EI practitioner.
- Help with scoring of evaluations and sometimes help administer services under the supervision of the EI practitioner.
- Facilitating center based groups including helping with curriculum writing and leading of children’s groups.
- Assisting with parent support groups.
- Learning EI eligibility criteria.
- Work with your internship supervisor to review internship contract, to ensure that required conditions are being met.