



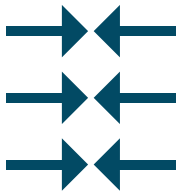
Promoting and Supporting High-Quality Inclusive Postsecondary Education

College for students with an intellectual and developmental disability

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Minnesota Inclusive Higher Education Consortium's (MIHEC) vision is to build, enhance, and sustain initiatives that deliver inclusive higher education for Minnesotans with an intellectual and developmental disability (IDD), including attending college classes, gaining work experience, earning meaningful credentials, and becoming a genuine member of the campus community. MIHEC is striving for initiatives across the state that are accessible and affordable for Minnesotans with IDD from diverse backgrounds.

MIHEC, part of the Institute on Community Integration, aims to raise awareness, provide resources, and offer technical assistance to develop and improve inclusive higher education initiatives in Minnesota.



Aligned with National Standards

- Self-Determination
- Academic Access
- Competitive Integrated Employment
- Campus Membership



Enrollment for Students

- With a documented IDD
- Who completed K-12 education (may include 18-21 Transition)
- Who do not meet traditional college admission requirements
- Have the desire to go to college
- Able to participate in class and campus activities with support
- Who desire to earn a postsecondary credential
- With goals to live and work as independently as possible after college



Postsecondary Credential

- 2-4 years in length
- Classes audited and/or for credit
- In the student's primary area of study
- Includes work experience
- Earned from the college or university



Residential Living Options (colleges vary in what they offer)

- On-campus housing
- Off-campus University-owned housing
- Off-campus housing
- No housing offered



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College Search Steps

1. Locate Inclusive Higher Education initiatives
2. Search college websites
3. Learn about the specific college offerings
4. Plan a college visit
5. Connect with current students, alumni, and their families



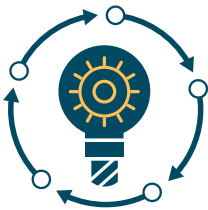
Federal and State Financial Aid Eligibility

Students with ID who attend an Institution of Higher Education with the US Department of Education Comprehensive Transition Postsecondary Program (CTP) designation may apply for Federal Financial Aid through the FAFSA. Minnesotans with IDD who attend a Minnesota institution of higher education with the CTP designation are considered for Minnesota grants and scholarships.



Potential College Funding

- Pell Grants
- Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants
- Work-study or part-time jobs
- Minnesota Grants and Scholarships
- North Star Promise
- Private Scholarships
- 529B college savings
- ABLE Act savings
- Waiver funding
- Vocational Rehabilitation



Inclusive Higher Education Guiding Principles

High-quality initiatives are fiscally and programmatically sustainable, align with the higher education institute's existing services and systems, promote internal and external collaboration, and regularly evaluate and improve practices and outcomes.



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At ICI, we affirm our commitment to address systemic racism, ableism and all other inequalities and forms of oppression to ensure inclusive communities.