

STUDENTS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES CAN GO TO COLLEGE IN COLORADO!

IN!'s mission is to create inclusive college opportunities in Colorado for students with intellectual disabilities (ID) to foster academic growth, social development, and career advancement.

As a non-profit organization, IN! works to raise awareness of the inclusive college options available in our state via webinars, informational sessions, mentorship opportunities, college prep resources, and more.

Colorado offers six inclusive higher education (IHE) programs

where individuals with ID are fully included members of the student body. Students earn a Comprehensive Higher Education Certificate in their area of study and are graduating with more meaningful jobs, greater independence, increased community involvement, and holistic growth.

Arapahoe Community College

Elevate at ACC

<https://www.arapahoe.edu/elevate-acc>



Colorado State University

RAM Scholars

<https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/ramscholars/>



Metropolitan State University of Denver

Inclusive Higher Education Solutions

<https://www.msudenver.edu/IHES>



Regis University

GLOBAL Inclusive Program

<https://www.regis.edu/global>



University of Colorado at Colorado Springs

Office of Inclusive Services

<https://www.uccs.edu/inclusiveservices>



University of Northern Colorado

GOAL – Go On and Learn

<http://www.unco.edu/unc-goal>



HELPFUL RESOURCES:

Family Webpage

<https://inclusivehighered.org/college-options/>

Free Webinar Series

<https://inclusivehighered.org/news-events/>

Monthly Newsletter

<https://inclusivehighered.org/news-events/join-us.html>

Financial Resources

<https://inclusivehighered.org/college-options/funding.html>

Designed for Students Who:

- Have a documented intellectual disability with need for additional support in academic, career, social, and independent skills
- Do not meet traditional college entrance criteria and/or would benefit from modifications in order to fully access college coursework
- Have a desire to go to college
- Express interest in living and working as independently as possible after college
- Have completed K-12 education (students may participate in their district transition or 18-21 program before starting inclusive programs)
- Are able to participate in class and campus activities with support
- Wish to pursue a certificate credential

Students in IHE Programs Will:

- Earn a Comprehensive Higher Education Certificate from the college or university
- Declare a primary area of study
- Receive robust support through direct advising, peer mentors, and the school's office of disability services
- Be fully included in college courses, taken for credit with high standards that align with person-centered plan
- Follow an individualized plan of study to include 2-3 courses/semester
- Utilize academic accommodations and modifications of coursework
- Experience full campus engagement including events, clubs, residential options, and more
- Participate in person-centered planning regarding academic and vocational goal setting
- Engage in a progression of job experiences, including on-campus and off-campus employment
- Participate in commencement exercises upon completion