

COLLEGE PROGRAMS IN PENNSYLVANIA FOR
INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL &
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

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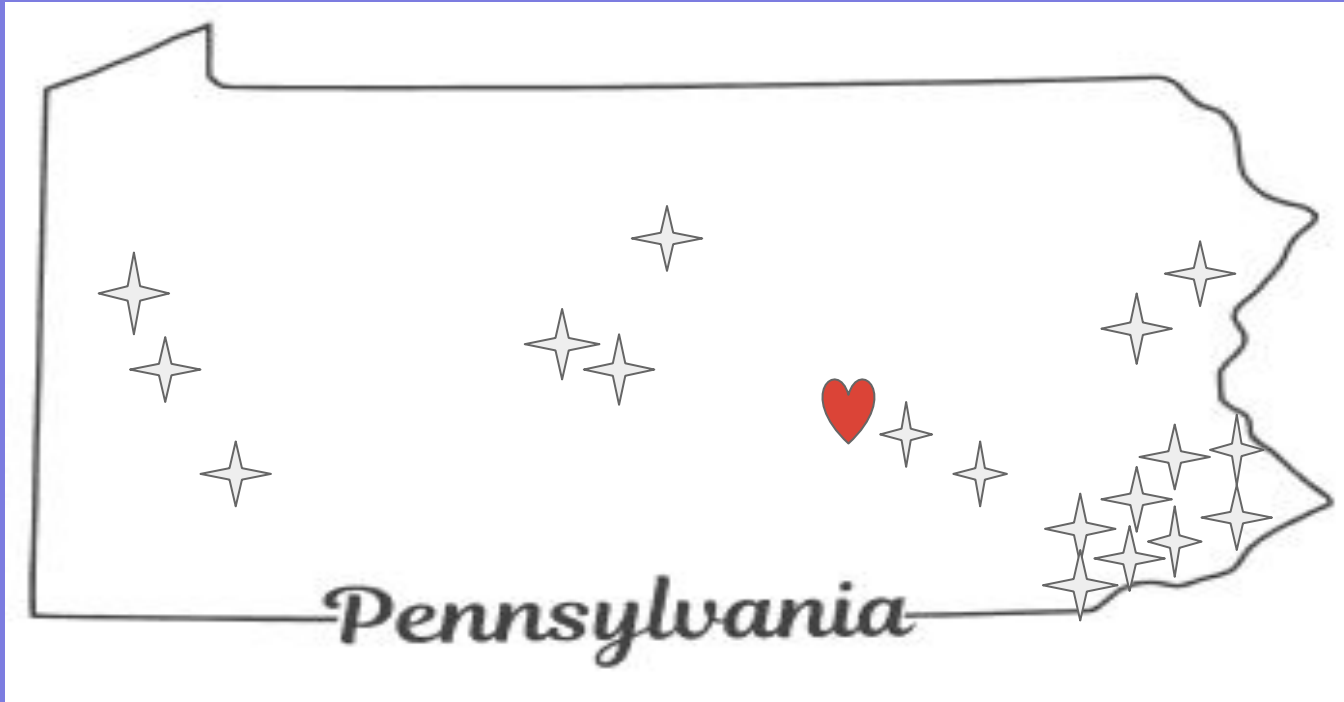
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The only directory of programs for
students with intellectual disability

18 Colleges have programs for students with IDD in Pennsylvania



Bearcat BEST Latrobe, PA

Bearcat BEST - *Building Excellence through Skills Training* - is a program located out near Pittsburgh for students who live in the area that are between the ages of 18 and 21.



Career Studies Middletown, PA



Career Studies offers students with intellectual disabilities the opportunity to participate in inclusive learning environments on a college campus.

Key Points:

- For 18-25 year olds
- 2 year, 4 semester program - audit a minimum of 1 class per semester
- Customer relations coursework with the opportunity to earn the National Retail Foundation certificate
- Peer Mentors
- Job shadowing and practicums

Career, Independent Living, and Learning Studies (CILLS) East Stroudsburg, PA

CILLS is a non-degree program where individuals with intellectual disabilities gain a college experience and develop skills to enhance their abilities to live and work within their communities.

Key Points:

- Ages 18 - 26
- Live in off campus housing paid for by family and staffed by an undergraduate student
- 3 year program - audit courses
- Peer mentors



**EAST
STROUDSBURG
UNIVERSITY**

Compass Pittsburgh, PA



Compass is a fully inclusive post-secondary four year certificate program for students who are enthusiastic about the opportunity to pursue curricular, vocational, and social opportunities at college as a means in which to develop independence and future careers.

Key Points:

- 18 - 26 years old
- Audit courses
- Internships
- Volunteer work
- Community Service
- Live on campus

Integrated Professional Studies Chester, PA

Students with intellectual disabilities enroll in academic courses, participate in clubs on campus, and gain career experience through internships. Students enroll in two to three 100-level courses with their non-disabled peers each semester.

Key Points:

- 18 years and older
- 2 year program
- Internships
- Volunteer work
- Community Service
- Work Study
- Mentors provided
- Participate in campus activities
- Housing is NOT provided



Widener University

Integrated Studies Gwynedd Valley, PA



Gwynedd Mercy
University

Gwynedd Mercy University is a small, private, Catholic university outside of Philadelphia. Integrated Studies is a fully inclusive, non-degree certificate program providing students the opportunity to audit 3-4 university classes per semester, complete individualized-community or campus-based internships, and participate in various social and campus organizations and activities.

Key points:

- 18 - 26 years old
- 2 or 4 year program
- Internships
- Volunteer work
- Community Service
- Work Study
- Can live on campus

Integrated Studies Millersville, PA

Integrated Studies provides foundational experiences and learning opportunities in four main areas: academic participation, career exploration and employment, personal well-being and social membership/building relationships.

Key Points:

- 18-26 years old
- Audit a minimum of 4 classes
- 4 year program
- Internships
- Volunteer work
- Community Service
- Work Study
- On and off campus living available



MILLERSVILLE

Leadership & Career Studies Philadelphia, PA

L&CS provides students with an authentic college experience developing academic abilities, career aspirations, and independence.

Key Points:

- 18 - 26 years old
- 4 year program
- Students earn a certificate of completion from the Institute on Disabilities, through the College of Education and Human Development at Temple University.
- Audit at least one class per semester
- Internships available
- No campus housing



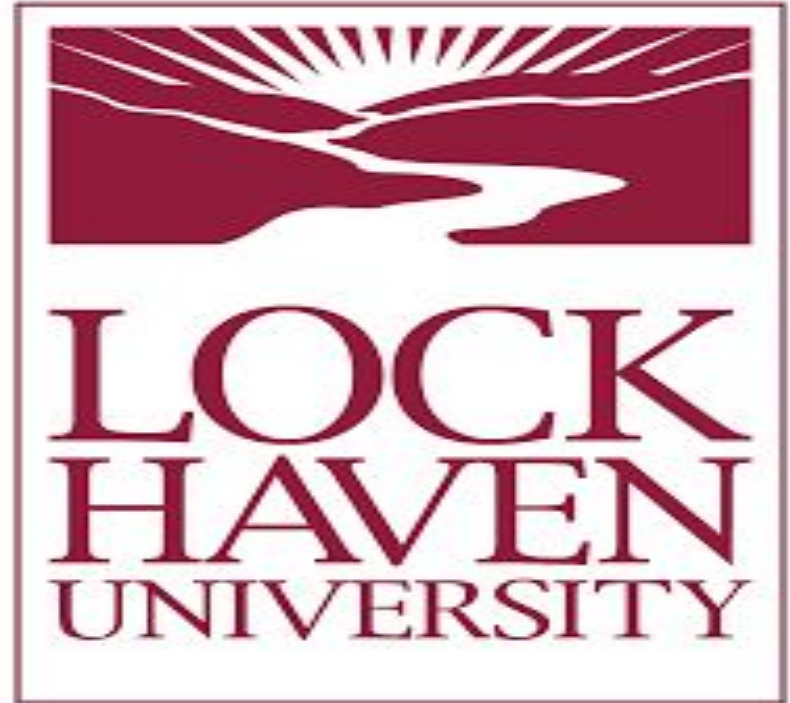
Leadership & Integrative Studies

Lock Haven, PA

Leadership and Integrative Studies is a non-degree certificate program offering a fully-inclusive, tailored course of study based upon personal abilities, talents, and individual career interests in order to lead to competitive employment.

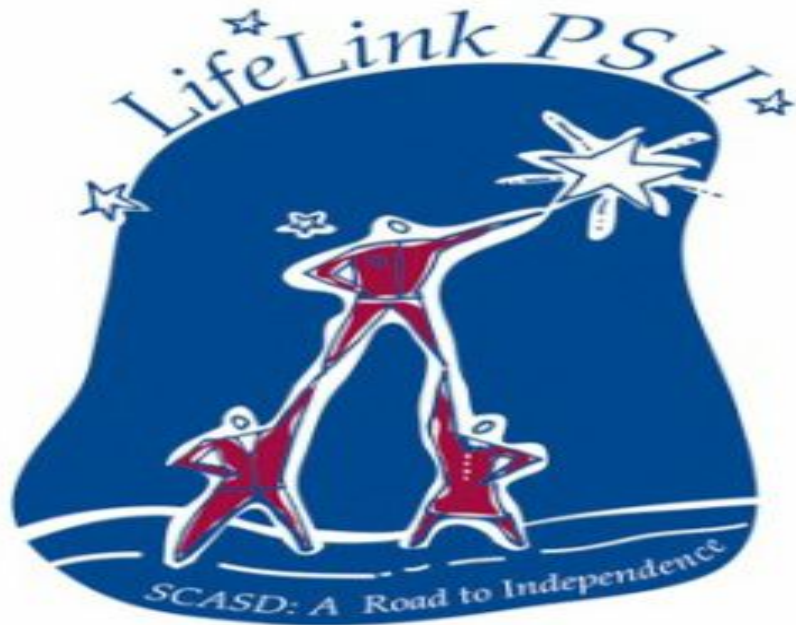
Key Points:

- 18 - 25 years of age
- 4 year program
- Internships
- Volunteer work
- Community Service
- Audit courses
- On campus housing available



LifeLink PSU

State College, PA



LifeLink PSU provides State College Area School District students with special needs, between the ages of 18 and 21 an opportunity to interact with students of their own age in an environment that is socially and academically conducive to continued growth. These students are still enrolled in the **State College Area School District**, and have not taken their high school diploma.



RAM Initiative (Real Achievement Matters) West Chester, PA

The RAM program provides students with intellectual disabilities to participate in a fully inclusive post-secondary education experience.

Key Points:

- Ages 18 - 24
- 2 year program
- Audit 12-13 credits per semester
- Internships
- On campus housing currently being piloted this coming school year



REAL Certificate -Raising Expectations for Academic Learning Glenside, PA



An individual plan for college participation is developed for each student.

Key Points:

- 18 - 26 years of age
- 2 year program
- Audit 2 courses per semester
- Internships
- Community Service
- On campus housing available

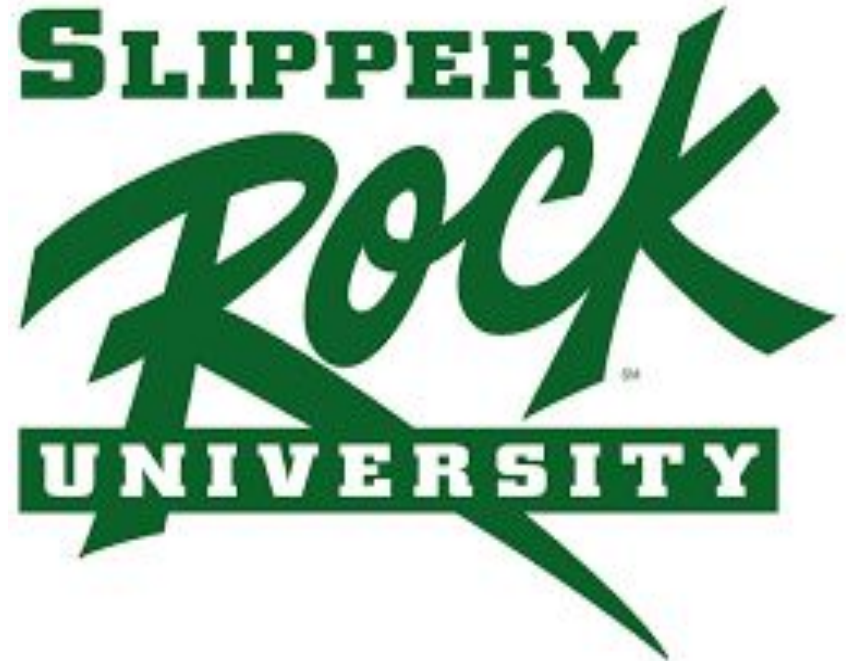
Rock Life

Slippery Rock, PA

Rock Life focuses on four main pillars:
Academics, Vocational, Physical Activity and
Social.

Key Points:

- Currently NOT accepting new students
- Ages not listed
- 2 - 6 year program
- Peer mentors
- On campus and Rock Life Living Learning Community available (live with other Rock Life and traditional peers)
- Internships
- Volunteer work
- Community Service
- Work Study



SEED - Success, Engagement, Education, Determination Schnecksville, PA



Lehigh Carbon
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The SEED program provides comprehensive direct services for students with disabilities interested in a college experience to master skills in transition, academic, and/or career areas.

Key Points:

- No ages listed
- Career Exploration & Job Shadowing
- Work Experience
- Unique-to-Student Programming
- Peer Mentoring
- Career/Soft Skill Workshops
- Club/Social Activities
- Weekly Career Coaching
- Employment Training
- No on campus housing
- Cross Institutional Studies Certificate

The Aspire Program

Philadelphia, PA

The Kinney Center offers a wide array of programs to support people on the autism spectrum. It is for people with ASD who are planning to enroll in college or similar postsecondary education following graduation.



Transition Pathways Philadelphia, PA



Transition Pathways of the A.J. Drexel Autism Institute at Drexel University is a growing collection of innovative approaches to improve outcomes for young adults on the autism spectrum for students who are a part of the **School District of Philadelphia.**

United Scholars Villanova, PA

This program provides a meaningful and unique college experience that allows students to explore their learning potential and maximize their personal growth, while preparing them for future, meaningful employment.

Key Points:

- Must be at least 18 years old
- Certificate in Community and Professional Development
- 2 year program
- On campus housing
- Internships
- Volunteer work
- Community Service



Work Link University Park, PA

The WorkLink program's goal is to support students with ID in developing work and independent living skills.

Key Points:

- No ages listed
- 2 year program
- Audit classes
- Internships
- No on campus housing



PennState



A group of five college students are posing playfully against a white backdrop. From left to right: a woman with long dark hair in a black top and white pants; a woman with long blonde hair in a black top; a man in a grey t-shirt with 'ALL REQUIRED' printed on it; a man in a grey hoodie and sunglasses; and a man in a blue t-shirt making a funny face with his hands near his eyes. The text 'COLLEGE STUDENTS WITH AN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY' is overlaid at the bottom.

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