



IPSE

Inclusive Postsecondary Education (IPSE)

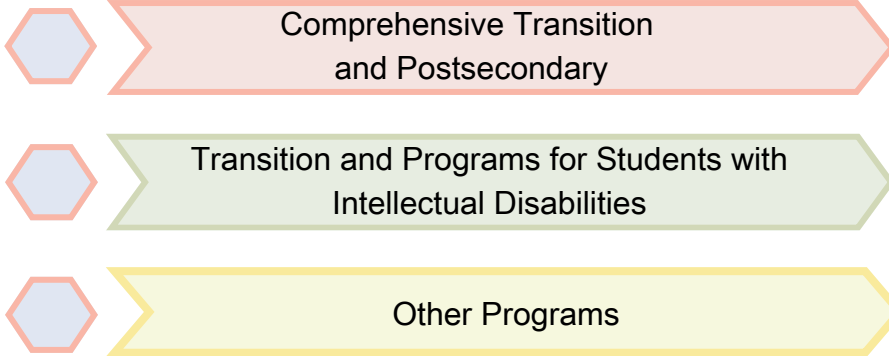
programs are designed to give students with intellectual disabilities the opportunity to participate in higher education. These programs provide independent living skills, career/employment training, community involvement and many other opportunities.



Why Post Secondary Education

Students who participate in Postsecondary Education will have increased access to job opportunities, work experience and community involvement that impact their overall quality of life.

Types of Programs Available



Where to Start

- Start early**
 As early as 6th grade, start having conversations about future goals and plans.
- Identify specific admission requirements**
 There is no common app, or common process, for IPSE programs. Each application is as unique as the program itself. Once you decide where you will apply, make sure you carefully review each application and timeline. Work with your school guidance counselor to obtain appropriate information and support.
- Create a plan**
 IPSE programs are very competitive. Identify several programs that meet your needs and utilize planning tools to organize all application deadlines and requirements.

RESOURCES

THINK COLLEGE

<https://tinyurl.com/yc24tm6t>

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CTP

Comprehensive Transition and Postsecondary (CTP) programs were created under the Higher Education Act of 2008. These programs were designed to give educational access and opportunities and federal educational funding (FAFSA) to students with intellectual disabilities.



What is a CTP?

Not all Inclusive Postsecondary programs are designated as CTP. For Institutes of Higher Learning to receive this title they must meet several requirements. A few of them are:

- Regular enrollment in credit bearing classes with nondisabled students
- Internships or work based training
- Students must meet criteria for Intellectual Disability

Location of CTP programs

There are over 330 CTP currently in the United States which can be found on the Think College website. There are currently six approved CTP programs in Kentucky:

- Murray State (CCE)
- Northern Kentucky University (SHEP)
- Bluegrass Community and Technical College
- Owensboro Community and Technical College
- Westen KY University (SAV-Y)
- UK College and Careers Studies Program

Preparing to Apply

Below is a list of commonly requested information asked in applications.

- Documentation of Intellectual Disability
- Educational History
- Work/Volunteer Experience
- Letters of Reference
- High School Transcripts
- Essays focused on future goals

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TPSID

Transition and Programs for Students with Intellectual Disability (TPSID) are programs that are funded by US Department of Education grants. These 5 year grants are designed to help Institutes of Higher Education create inclusive and sustainable programs.



TPSID or CTP

TPSID programs can be CTP programs, or they can just be TPSID programs. TPSID programs are required to focus on the following:

- Independent Living Skills
- Academic Enrichment
- Socialization
- Integrated Work Experience

Financing College

If you are interested in a TPSID program you may not be able to get Federal Student Aid. Below are a few ways you may be able to fund your college or living expenses.

- Able Account
- Scholarships
- Waivers or Voc Rehab

Preparing to Apply

Practice Independent Living Skills

- Basic Money Management
- Personal Hygiene/Self Care Skills
- Safety Skills

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Accessibility Services

For students with disabilities that meet standard admission requirements but need accommodations to successfully attend an Institute of Higher Education there are Accessibility Services. These services fall under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act as Amended and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and will be determined on a case by case basis.



What services can I expect?

Public and Private colleges, Universities and Trade Schools are required to provide equal access to students with disabilities. Each institution will have its own registration process, timelines and accommodations based on their assessments and the individuals disability. When selecting a program, meet with the disability office or staff to find out if the school will be able to address your needs.

What is different?

High School

Parent & Student Participation
Predictable schedules
504 subpart D plan
School Responsibility

Postsecondary

Student Participation
Varied schedules
504 subpart E plan
Student Responsibility

How do I access services?

Be prepared to have documentation regarding the disability and detailed explanations why you are requesting any accommodation. Once accommodations are granted, it is up to the student to inform staff and request the accommodations. **START EARLY!**

RESOURCES

ADA

<https://tinyurl.com/3sba2zk7>

OCR

<https://tinyurl.com/5y635tju>

ADA NATIONAL NETWORK

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