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Presentation Overview



In this presentation you will learn about:

- Strategies and tools to help young adults move from high school to “real life” at work, in higher education, and in the community. How different programs use assistive technology to help young adults with various disabilities (including autism) live more independently. Programs such as [The LIFE Program](#) and Simply Home. Some solutions are also useful for adults of all ages.
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AMAC - Introduction



What is AMAC?

AMAC works with colleges and universities to provide students with textbooks in formats that best meet their needs, including:
E-Text, Audiobooks, and Braille.

How does AMAC work?

Students meet with their disability services office to place an order for their textbooks in the preferred format.



AMAC - History



AMAC was created in 2005, as an initiative of the Board of Regents University System of Georgia, to help post-secondary disability services offices provide complete, timely, and efficient accommodations to the students with print disabilities that they serve.



Products and Services



- **Braille Services** produces customized projects from both print materials and electronic text including partial books and chapters or graphics only using cutting-edge technology.
- **Professional E-Text Producers** provide high-quality e-text in many formats such as PDF, DOC, DAISY, and HTML.
- **Captioning Services** makes classrooms, meetings, labs and other audio environments fully accessible for deaf or hard-of-hearing.
- **Certified Assistive Technology Team** provides on-site and remote assessments, demonstrations, training and technical assistance for education, work, and daily living environments.
- **Accessibility Compliance** focuses on organizational accessibility needs with evaluation, technical assistance, customer support, and website accessibility.

Think College Opportunities



College Options for People
with Intellectual Disabilities



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Find and compare information about college programs for students with intellectual disabilities! Click "Start Your Search" to customize your options, or "View All Programs" to view all college programs included here. If you are searching for a specific program, click on "Find Your Program" and type in the program name.



START YOUR SEARCH



VIEW ALL PROGRAMS



SEARCH BY NAME



This video will show you how to use this site to search for colleges.

[Fill out this short form](#) to let us know about a new program. If you would like to make changes to a current program listing, please email thinkcollege@umb.edu.

The information included here was submitted to Think College by the college programs. Being listed here does not indicate or imply a Think College endorsement. There also may be programs available that have not reported to us.

Finding Inclusive College Opportunities



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Step 1

Where?



Step 2

What kind of school?



Step 3

Attending During or After High School?



Step 4

Live on campus or off?



Where?

Click on the name of the state where you want to go to college, or select it from the dropdown list.

Or, select "All" states for more results. (State names in grey mean that we have no information on programs in those states.)

State:



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Search Results

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Your search for initiatives that:

- are in **South Carolina**.

You are viewing results 1 through 6 of 6. Click the check boxes next to a program's name and then click the Compare button at the top or bottom of the list. Up to 4 programs can be compared at a time.

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| Compare | College | Program | Location ▼ |
|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|----------------|
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Clemson University | Clemson HOPE | Clemson, SC |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Clemson University | ClemsonLIFE | Clemson, SC |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | University of South Carolina | CarolinaLIFE | Columbia, SC |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Coastal Carolina University | Coastal Carolina University LIFE | Conway, SC |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Winthrop University | Winthrop Think College Program | Rock Hill, SC |

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Display #

A look at 2 Inclusive Colleges in SC



College of Charleston REACH Program

image from the program

Print view



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» [Go to the Program Website](#) »
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General Info Cost Academics Employment Extracurricular Additional Contact Info

Type of school:

4-year college or university

Program Description:

The R.E.A.C.H (Realizing Educational and Career Hopes) program at the College of Charleston is a four-year, inclusive program for students with mild intellectual disabilities. REACH offers a non-degree program for students with intellectual disabilities who want to partake in the full college experience, including participation in regular college classes, living independently on campus, engaging in professional internships, and enjoying an active social life with friends. The purpose of the program is to provide the opportunity for all students to realize their intellectual and personal potential, with appropriate support for success. Students who complete the program receive a REACH certificate, and have training and experience necessary for successful competitive employment.

Students can attend this program if they:

- Have graduated or exited from high school

Number of students in this program:

We accept 10 new students each year

Top 3 Priority Areas:

- 1: Employment
- 2: Self-determination
- 3: College course access

The minimum age of a student to attend this program:

18

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University of South Carolina CarolinaLIFE

Print view



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General Info Cost Academics Employment Extracurricular Additional Contact Info

Type of school:

4-year college or university

Program Description:

This is an innovative two-to-four-year post-secondary program for students with intellectual or cognitive disabilities. We offer students with intellectual or cognitive disabilities the opportunity to experience college life through inclusive participation in academic, social, vocational and independent living activities. Our program is based on the needs, interests, and preferences of our students

Students can attend this program if they:

- Are still enrolled in high school

Number of students in this program:

12-20

Top 3 Priority Areas:

- 1: Employment
- 2: College course access
- 3: Self-determination

The minimum age of a student to attend this program:

18

Last updated on: February 12, 2013

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Comparing Colleges in SC



Compare Programs

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| Question: | College of Charleston | University of South Carolina |
|--|--|---|
| Program Name | REACH Program | CarolinaLIFE |
| State | | |
| College / University | College of Charleston | University of South Carolina |
| Students can attend this program if they | Have graduated or exited from high school | Are still enrolled in high school |
| Number of students in this program | We accept 10 new students each year | 12-20 |
| Top 3 Priority Areas: | 1: Employment 2: Self-determination 3: College course access | 1: Employment 2: College course access 3: Self-determination |
| Entrance Requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have completed certain number of years of high school Be able to safely navigate the campus independently Have basic safety skills in an unsupervised setting Have practical reading and writing skills | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other diploma (i.e. IEP diploma, certificate of attendance) Be able to safely navigate the campus independently Have a specific disability label or type Have basic safety skills in an unsupervised setting |
| Tuition and fees per year | \$19,300 | 16,600 |
| Room and board per year | \$9,100 | \$700 |
| Cost of books per year | \$300-600 | |
| Students with intellectual disabilities in this program can get federal financial aid: | Yes | Yes |
| Students can pay to attend this program using | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private pay (student and family) Vocational Rehabilitation Funds Scholarships Federal Financial Aid | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private pay (student and family) Tuition Waivers Vocational Rehabilitation Funds Scholarships Local School District funds Federal Financial Aid |
| Students take the following courses | Typical college courses for audit | |
| Amount of instructional time spent only with other students with intellectual disabilities | Less than 25% | 50% |
| Amount of time to complete the program | 4 years | Varies from student to student |
| This program operates during the summer | No | No |
| Students have competitive work | Yes | Yes |
| Other career development activities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteer work Community Service | |
| Program offers segregated work experiences | No | |
| Program supports students to exist with paid integrated employment | | |
| Housing Options | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inclusive dorms Inclusive on-campus apartments | Inclusive dorms |
| Students are eligible to earn a degree or certificate | A degree or certificate is currently being developed and is still pending approval | Yes |
| Question: | College of Charleston | University of South Carolina |

CarolinaLIFE



The screenshot shows the CarolinaLIFE website homepage. At the top is the University of South Carolina logo and the text "UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA CarolinaLIFE". Below this is a navigation menu with links for "SAAS Home", "Future Students", "Current Students", "Faculty & Staff", "Parents", "Alumni", and "Visitors". A search bar is located to the right of the menu. On the left side, there is a vertical list of menu items: "Home", "Program Information", "Admission", "Program Costs", "Services and Supports", "Housing", "Be a mentor", "Come for a Visit", "Student Life", "Faculty and Staff", "Contact Us", "Frank and Franke McGuire Fund", and "Additional Resources". The main content area features a large photograph of a classical building with columns. Below the photo is the CarolinaLIFE logo and the tagline "LEARNING IS FOR EVERYONE". To the left of the logo is contact information: "CarolinaLIFE™", "238 Warden - College of Education", "620 Main Street", "Columbia, SC 29208", "Phone: (803) 777-7964", "Fax: (803) 777-2234", and "sylvia@carolinalife.sc.edu".

Welcome

The CarolinaLIFE™ Program welcomes you to the University of South Carolina! This is an innovative, two-to-four year, postsecondary program for students with intellectual or cognitive disabilities. We offer students the opportunity to experience college life through inclusive participation in academic, social, employment, and independent living activities. Our program is based on the needs, interests, and preferences of our students.

Mission

The mission of the CarolinaLIFE™ Program is to facilitate high achievement of diverse learners in the areas of personal independence, self-sufficiency, and empowerment through inclusive teaching, research, creative activity, and services.

Inclusive College Opportunities in GA



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| Question: | Georgia Institute of Technology | Kennesaw State University |
|--|---|--|
| Program Name | Inclusive Postsecondary Academy at Georgia Tech | Academy for Inclusive Learning and Social Growth |
| State | | |
| College / University | Georgia Institute of Technology | Kennesaw State University |
| Students can attend this program if they | Have graduated or exited from high school | Have graduated or exited from high school |
| Number of students in this program | 12 | 18 |
| Top 3 Priority Areas: | 1: Employment 2: Independent living 3: College course access | 1: Employment 2: College course access 3: Self-determination |
| Entrance Requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High School diploma Other diploma (i.e. IEP diploma, certificate of attendance) Be able to safely navigate the campus independently Have basic safety skills in an unsupervised setting Have practical reading and writing skills | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High School diploma Other diploma (i.e. IEP diploma, certificate of attendance) |
| Tuition and fees per year | 20,138 (subject to change) | \$13,852.60 |

Tech Support



From AMAC Student Download Center,
click on the Support tab and then click [Student Resources](#)

If you need assistance, email amactech@amac.gatech.edu

or

call technical support at 1-866-418-2750 (M-F 8:30-4:30 EST/EDT).



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