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**ADMISSION**

- High School Graduate
- Ages 18-26
- Has an intellectual or developmental disability
- Minimum 4th-grade reading level, or familiarity with assistive technology to reach a 4th-grade reading level
- Has a desire to go to college
- Independently manages medication and medical needs

**PROGRAM OPTIONS**

**FOUR-YEAR CAREER AND COMMUNITY STUDIES**

**YEAR ONE:** Courses covering disability issues, personal development, health and wellness, and preparing for a rigorous college experience.

**YEAR TWO:** Students extend their knowledge and skills in participating in college-level courses and other campus environments.

**YEARS THREE & FOUR:** Students focus on career-field specialization with courses in independent living, life-long learning competencies, and career development and employment, as well as internships in the community where students apply their learning in jobs of choice.

**TWO-YEAR EMPLOYMENT READINESS**

This course of study concentrates on employment and life readiness. Students will complete practicum experiences in jobs of interest to best focus on development of employability and life skills.

**TWO-YEAR COLLEGE PREPARATION**

This course of study concentrates on student development and improvement of academic and social skills in order to prepare for a degree program. Students will focus on preparing to move into more rigorous academic postsecondary degree program.

**MEANINGFUL EXPERIENCES**

Our mission is to create meaningful experiences for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities by maximizing opportunities to prepare them to become self-determined and autonomous adults.
PROGRAM COST

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*May be subject to additional independent living fees
**Fees are subject to change

HOUSING

Students in the CCS program that choose to live on campus live in fully inclusive dorms on Kent State’s campus. First-year dorm students live in Wright Hall with an assigned CCS roommate. Upon completion of the first year in the dorms, students can choose to live anywhere on campus, or even in an off-campus apartment.

There is a four-day dorm orientation required for all first-year dorm students.

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