

What's Next: College?!

A GUIDED EXPLORATION OF NC POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION OPTIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

College Options: University and Community Colleges in NC

In this set, you and your teen will explore university and community colleges with direct links to their websites. Take a virtual tour of university and community colleges in North Carolina.

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Work Together NC



Work Together NC is a statewide initiative focused on the transition to adulthood for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). Visit worktogethernc.com

Your one-stop resource hub for finding resources and services. Create action plans to achieve your goals in the areas of employment, postsecondary education, community living, and more.

Inclusion Works is a North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) initiative to increase Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE) opportunities for people with IDD. Work Together NC and WISE are collaborating with Inclusion Works to implement new processes across the State and expand Supported Employment services. The What's Next Employment Toolkit is being used in the employment assessment process to support individuals with developing their career development plans.

Virtual University tours!

Learn more about each of the programs, watch their videos along with links to their website. Explore further on this full list of [inclusive NC college programs](#).



[Scholars with Diverse Abilities \(SDAP\)](#)


Appalachian State University in Boone

 VIDEO: [Scholars with Diverse Abilities](#)



[Integrative Community Studies \(Beyond Academics\)](#)


University of North Carolina in Greensboro

 VIDEO: [Beyond Academics at UNC Greensboro](#)



[University Participant \(UP\) Program](#)

Western Carolina University in Cullowhee

 VIDEO: [North Carolina Inclusive College Fair](#)



[HEELS 2 Transition](#)

University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill

 VIDEO: [HEELS Prep program](#)



[LEND Leadership Education.](#)

University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill

 VIDEO: [Self-Advocacy in Illinois LEND](#)



[NC State Elevate Program](#)

North Carolina State University in Raleigh

 VIDEO: [Meet Students Part of Elevate](#)

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GTCC [POWER Pathways](#)

GUILFORD TECHNICAL
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Guilford Technical Community College in
Boone

 VIDEO: [POWER Pathways Food Service Program](#)



[Adult Basic Literacy Education \(ABLE\)](#)

Alamance Community College in Graham

 VIDEO: [College Road Trip: Alamance Community College](#)



[Pathfinder Career Exploration](#)


Wake Technical Community College in
Raleigh

 VIDEO: [Pathfinder Career Exploration](#)




[Independence and Literacy Education for Adults with Disabilities \(I-LEAD\)](#)

University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill

 VIDEO: [Piedmont Community College 360 Tour](#)

[ABLE Program](#)

Randolph Community College in
Asheboro

 VIDEO: [Randolph College Be an Original](#)



[Compass Education](#)

South Piedmont Community College in
Monroe

 VIDEO: [Take a VR Tour of South Piedmont](#)

More Virtual Community College Tours!

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[Successful Occupational Achievement Readiness \(SOAR\)](#)

Asheville-Buncombe Tech Community College in Asheville

 VIDEO: [This is A-B Tech](#)



[Career Academy](#)

Pitt Community College in Winterville

 VIDEO: [Pitt Community College Virtual Campus Tour](#)



[Mayland Community College Work Skills Academy](#)

Wake Technical Community College in Raleigh

 VIDEO: [Mayland Community College](#)



[College and Career Readiness](#)

Coastal Carolina Community College in Jacksonville

 VIDEO: [Coastal Carolina Community College](#)

University vs. Community Colleges















WHAT DO THEY HAVE IN COMMON?

Both offer a certificate of completion, not a degree
Both are a great opportunity to learn and work toward your goals!

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

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University Inclusive Post-Secondary Programs	VS	Community College Career Programs
 <p>Expensive Student pays regular tuition costs</p>		 <p>Lower Cost Student pays community college fees</p>
 <p>Focus more on higher education and life skills</p>		 <p>Focuses more on specific career training</p>
 <p>Students live on or off campus</p>		 <p>Students live off-campus</p>
 <p>2-4 Year Programs</p>		 <p>1-2 Year Programs</p>
 <p>More inclusive social and academic opportunities</p>		 <p>Classes are not always inclusive (instead, open only to people with disabilities)</p>
 <p>Guided by an individual plan</p>		 <p>Guided by career tracks</p>