

The DREAM Program

Developing Real Expectations for Achieving Mastery
Mercer County Community College





Making the Dream of College Real
for People with Intellectual Disabilities

An individualized, inclusive postsecondary and transition experience for young adults with intellectual disabilities.

The DREAM Program

The program addresses the development of academic skills, career exploration, social relationships, and independent living skills to enhance success in community and family life.

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Each student's course schedule and career-related activities are individually designed according to his or her individual needs and aspirations.

Student-Centered Planning



Academics

Academic growth is supported through enrollment in academic skills classes in reading, writing and math as well as interest-based electives for credit or audit.

Academics



Electives



Career Exploration

Career exploration is supported through our Career Exploration class and through experiential activities both on and off the college campus.

Career Exploration



Community

Social relationships are supported through full participation in college life including clubs and organizations, special events, theatrical productions and other recreational activities.

Community



Peer Mentors

- Peer mentors are an integral part of the DREAM program
- Mentors provide ongoing support to students:
 - escorts during the first weeks of class
 - in class support
 - social activities
 - listening ears
 - voices of experience

Peer Mentors

The cost to participants of the DREAM Program is calculated on a per credit basis, following the Mercer County Community College fee schedule. There is an additional program fee for supplemental services.

Cost

**Dreams come true:
without that possibility,
nature would not incite us to
have them.**

John Updike

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