



Can Students with Intellectual
Disabilities Go to College? **YES!!!**

FAST FACTS



17 inclusive
college programs
in California



300+
inclusive college
programs throughout
the United States

Inclusive college programs prepare graduates for their futures:

2x
more likely to
be employed

70%
live independently

57%
attend future
education

Graduates **earn higher wages**
and **rely less on SSI benefits**

+ \$406
per month in wages

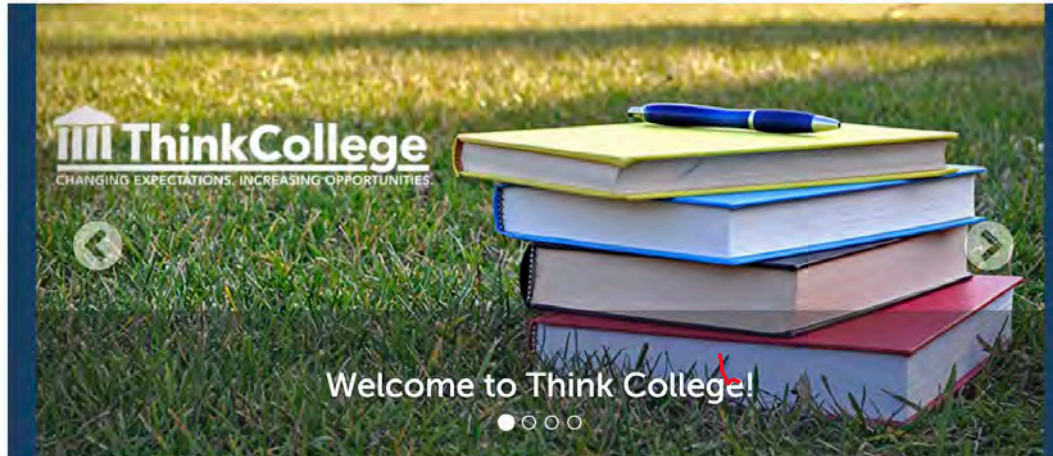


- \$77
per month in
Supplemental
Security Income



Think College is a national center dedicated to increasing awareness and availability of college options for students with intellectual disability

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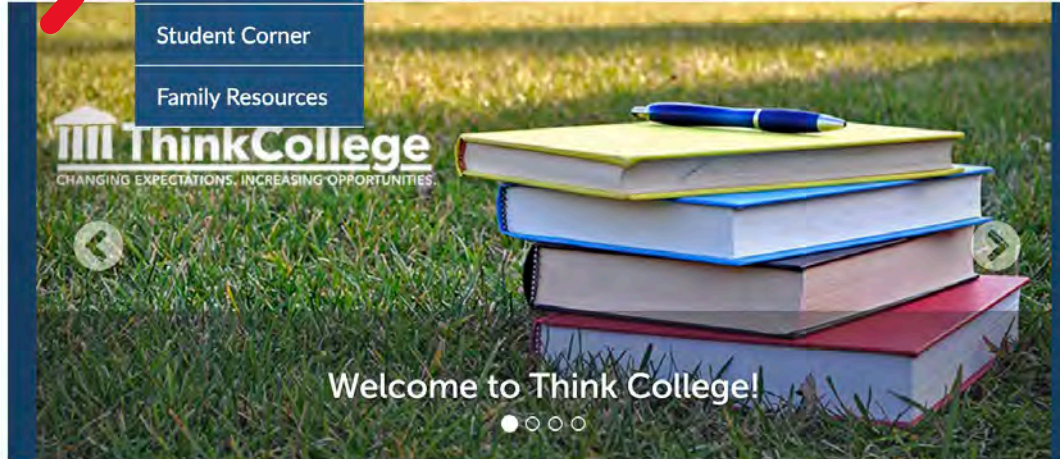
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See FAQ: [How do I save and compare programs?](#)

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- University of New Hampshire
- University of South Florida St. Petersburg
- Goodwin University (CT)
- University of Alabama

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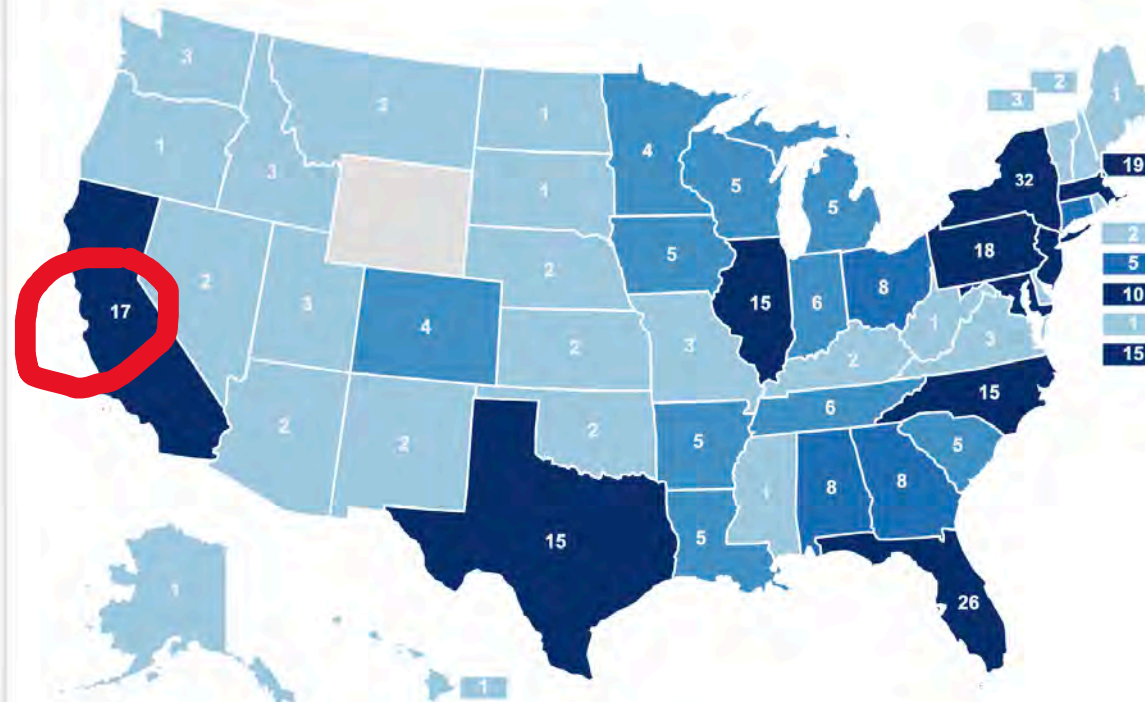
- ☐ Alabama (8)
- ☐ Alaska (1)
- ☐ Arizona (2)
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PROGRAM FEATURES

- ☐ Serves Students in High School *
- ☐ Offers Financial Aid (CTP)
- ☐ Offers Housing
- ☐ Program not limited by students' school districts

College Search

The only directory of its kind, Think College Search features 308 colleges and universities that offer postsecondary education programs for students with intellectual disability. Users of this searchable online database can filter by state, length of program, type of school, options for living on campus, and more. To learn more, view these [Frequently Asked Questions](#) about college programs, how we gather the information in the directory, and how to use the features of College Search.



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[ADVANCED FILTERS](#)

CSUN Explorers

California State University Northridge

NORTHRIDGE, CA

CSUN Explorers is a 2-year program for individuals between the ages of 18-30 who are identified with intellectual/developmental disabilities, who do not have a high school diploma. Explorers enroll at CSUN through Open University. Explorers take two (2) classes each semester with CSUN undergraduate students and participate in clubs, and other activities on campus. During the second year of the program, Explorers are involved in internships on... [Read more](#)

Address	CSUN Explorers 18111 Nordhoff Street Northridge, CA 91330-8265
Phone	818-677-2725
Web	https://www.csun.edu/eisner-education/csun-explorers
Contact	Beth Lasky
Email	beth.lasky@csun.edu

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Pathway at UCLA Extension

UCLA Extension

LOS ANGELES, CA



Pathway at UCLA Extension provides a blend of academic, social, and vocational experiences to students with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Our students are fully engaged in the UCLA campus while receiving specialized instruction and support. Pathway is housed within Continuing Education on the UCLA campus. [Read more](#)

Address	Pathway at UCLA Extension 1145 Gayley Avenue 2nd Floor Los Angeles, CA 90024
Phone	310-794-1235
Web	http://education.uclaextension.edu/pathway
Contact	Jessica Broutt
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SF State Inclusion Pilot Project

For Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

cel.sfsu.edu/inclusion

Overview

SF State Inclusion Pilot Project

For Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities



- for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities who are interested in being included in the academic and social components of campus life
- students select their courses from the regular course offerings
- in 2018-19, program starts with one student; in spring 2021, pilot project welcomes a new cohort of three students
- students have taken courses in music, nutrition, dance, English, early childhood development, cinema, kinesiology, and design

The SF State Inclusion Pilot Project provides:

- opportunities for inclusion in the academic and social components of campus life
- a person-centered planning process
- individualized plans of study aligned with students' personal, academic and career goals
- academic coaching provided by trained peer mentors, social support, educational accommodations, and other customized supports
- tuition & fee waivers
- guidance to faculty on inclusive teaching practices



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The Inclusion Pilot Project is for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities who are interested in being included in the academic and social components of campus life. A person-centered planning process supports students to create an individualized plan of study aligned with their personal, academic and career goals. An individualized plan typically consists of courses, social activities, intern/job activities, housing support, and a career path. Students in the pilot project are not on a degree track but receive a certificate of completion detailing their satisfaction of their academic, social and vocational goals as laid out in their individualized person-centered plan. The SF State Inclusion Pilot Project works to meet students where they are regardless of ability and aspires to make college accessible to everyone.

Meet the Students

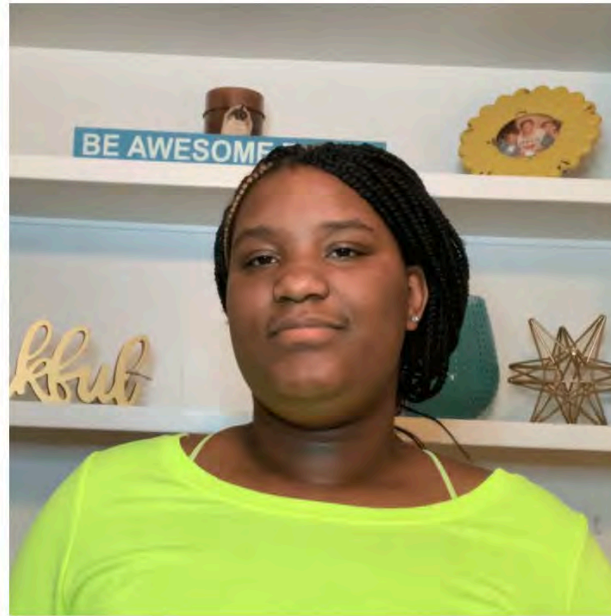
This program started with a pilot cohort of three students in spring 2021. The students selected their courses from the regular course offerings open to all SF State students. They each are enrolled in two or three courses of their interest in different departments, and the curriculum is adapted to their individual needs.



Ishaan

"The classes encourage and inspire me to focus and work more in the field of my favorite subjects."

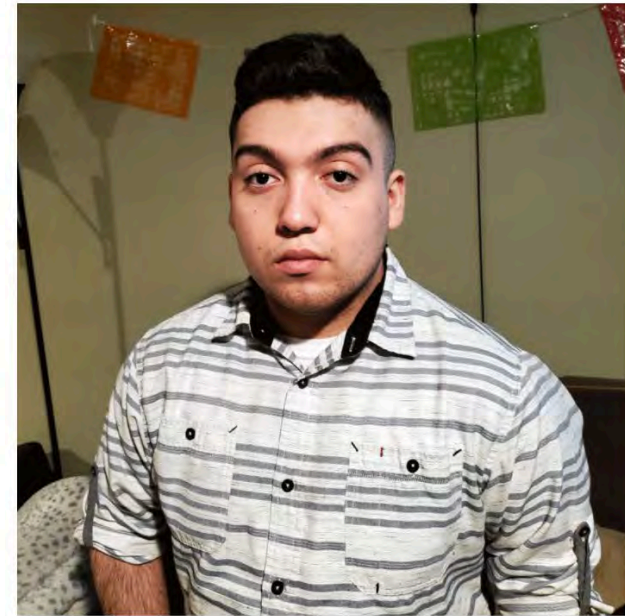
[More about Ishaan](#)



MaShay

"One day I hope to become a veterinarian or one day work with little kids. I also want to publish my first book."

[More about MaShay](#)



Augustin

"I'd like to be an animator because I like creating and drawing. I dream of having a job that makes me feel I can do hard work."

[More about Augustin](#)