



WellStar College of Health and Human Services

Academy for Inclusive Adult Education

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The KSU Academy for Inclusive Adult Education is a two-year certificate program designed to offer an inclusive college experience to students with developmental disabilities.

Our mission is to integrate an understanding and acceptance of diversity with the potential for social growth and development leading to academic and career achievement for the developmentally disabled.

Our vision is to develop a pilot program at Kennesaw State University replicable throughout the University System of Georgia accessible to individuals with developmental disabilities.

The Academy will:

- Appeal to high school graduates with varied limitations in both intellectual functioning and adaptive behavior whose disability impairs their accessibility to a post secondary general education curriculum.
- Commence incrementally, with the first cohort (3) attending classes in the Fall Semester 2009 and a larger cohort (6) beginning classes in the Fall Semester 2010.
- Adopt an application process which will, as its underlying philosophy, employ a self-selection process. This process will rely on the ability of the candidate and his/her family to determine the appropriateness of their application to higher education classes.
- Be tuition based and non-residential.

Academy Objectives:

- Create a campus atmosphere of understanding and acceptance of people with disabilities.
- Provide an inclusive college academic and social education to students who have been historically excluded from that opportunity.
- Offer career planning and preparation through on campus work experiences and a customized employment outcome.
- Support individual students' goals through opportunity and instruction
- Prepare students for a well rounded life of learning, health and successful employment.
- To present participating students with a KSU Certificate of Social Growth and Development upon completion of the 2 year program.

Operational Considerations: (Students will be enrolled as non-degree seeking audit students)

First year inclusion courses:

- HPS 1000** (Fitness for Living)
- KSU 1101** (First Year Seminar)
- Arts in Society: Music 1107**
- Recreation Center Group Exercise Classes**
- Writing 0199**

Possible second year electives:

- BUSA 1000** (Introduction to Business)
- Sociology 2201**
- Any class related to students’ personal interests and career goals**

Students will attend KSU classes as audits for no credit.

Below is a sample schedule for 1st Semester

Below is a sample schedule for 2nd Semester

Times	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
9:30 – 10:45	Writing: O199	Campus activities / study/ tutoring	Writing: O199	Campus activities / study/ tutoring
11-12:15	Lunch	Arts in Society: Music 1107	Lunch	Arts in Society: Music 1107
12:30 – 1:45	1:00 – 3:00 Job	Lunch	1:00 – 3:00 Job	Lunch
2 – 3:00	Readiness training on campus	Campus activities / study/ tutoring	Readiness training on campus	Campus activities / study/ tutoring

Times	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thurs.
9:30 – 10:45	KSU 1101	Study	KSU 1101	Study
11-12:15	Campus activities/ study/ tutoring	HPS 1000	Campus activities/ study/ tutoring	HPS 1000
12:30 – 1:45	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
2 – 3:15	Work (Job Shadow)	Work (Job Shadow)	Work (Job Shadow)	Work (Job Shadow)

Students will be assigned peer mentors for support in each class, lunch and work.

The Academy coordinator will support the KSU faculty through availability and prearranged meetings upon request. KSU faculty will provide the Academy coordinator with course syllabus and the coordinator will make modifications, provide support for assignments and tests, as well as grade all assignments and tests.

KSU Faculty Expectations: Provide an inclusive learning environment.

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