

	Pre-College preparation program	Religious Affiliation	Number of students in the program	Student characteristics	Costs / per year	CTP*	On-Campus Housing	Housing Costs
		N/A	N/A	40	only open to MMSD students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Name	<b>Campus Connect</b>								
College	Madison Area Technical College								
Location	Madison , WI								
Website	<a href="https://www.madison.k12.wi.us/special-education/transition-planning-for-students-with-disabilities/campus-connect">https://www.madison.k12.wi.us/special-education/transition-planning-for-students-with-disabilities/campus-connect</a>								
Description	The Campus Connect program is a partnership between Madison College and Madison Metropolitan School District. Provides an opportunity for students who require more than the traditional level of support to be successful in a college environment.								
Focus	Providing relevant postsecondary academic preparation leading to long term gainful employment in an area identified by the student and related to their college degree path.								
Additional Information	Students can attend this program if they are still enrolled in high school and are 18 years or older.								

		Pre-College preparation program	Religious Affiliation	Number of students in the program	Student characteristics	Costs / per year	CTP*	On-Campus Housing	Housing Costs
		Yes	Yes	30	documented intellectual or developmental disability	Degree-Seeking - \$45,660. Non-Degree Seeking - \$31,500. (Housing & Meals not Included)	Yes	Yes	\$12,590
Name	<b>Cutting Edge Program</b>								
College	Edgewood University (formerly College)								
Location	Madison , WI								
Website	<a href="https://www.edgewood.edu/academics/cutting-edge/">https://www.edgewood.edu/academics/cutting-edge/</a>								
Description	The first IPSE program in Wisconsin at a four-year college to offer a fully inclusive college experience for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The program offers individualized wrap-around services to support students in academics, student housing, social experiences, and practicums/internships.								
Focus	Providing an equitable opportunity for learners with diverse abilities to develop and acquire the skills needed for independent and self-determined lives.								
Additional Information	Has a 4-year degree option, Alumni program and tailored coursework.								

		Pre-College preparation program	Religious Affiliation	Number of students in the program	Student characteristics	Costs / per year	CTP*	On-Campus Housing	Housing Costs
		N/A	Yes	Undetermined	intellectual and developmental disabilities	\$54,250 (in-state)	N/A	Yes	\$13,670
Name	<b>Hesed Transition Program</b>								
College	Concordia University of Wisconsin								
Location	Mequon , WI								
Website	<a href="https://www.cuw.edu/admissions/hesed-admissions/index.html">https://www.cuw.edu/admissions/hesed-admissions/index.html</a>								
Description	The Hesed program is motivated by a deep-seated belief that every individual can thrive and fulfill their potential. We recognize the unique obstacles faced by our students as they journey toward independence and self-sufficiency, and we are committed to walking alongside our students to provide support and just-right challenges to launch them into the next phase of life after school.								
Focus	Postsecondary transition program reflects a genuine desire to put God's love into action through uplifting and empowering individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities as they navigate the challenges of transitioning into adulthood.								
Additional Information	2 year program. Average net price for undergraduates was approximately \$29,094 after student financial aid awards. Formerly - <b>AbleLight College, at Bethesda College</b> , operated in partnership with Concordia University Wisconsin (CUW) and AbleLight (formerly Bethesda Lutheran Communities). While the program is no longer active, its mission continues through Concordia's new Hesed Transition Program.								



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### Life and Career Studies

Lakeland University

Plymouth , WI

<https://lakeland.edu/life-career-studies>

Life and Career Studies is an inclusive and engaging, full-time residential program for students with intellectual disabilities. It feature a four-year, personalized curriculum designed to promote academic, social, personal and professional growth.

Self-determination and provides a gateway to meaningful employment and independent and community living.

Pre-College preparation program	Religious Affiliation	Number of students in the program	Student characteristics	Costs / per year	CTP*	On-Campus Housing	Housing Costs
N/A	Yes	Undetermined	intellectual and developmental disabilities	\$30,636 (tuition, room and meals). Does not include application fee, deposits, textbook or other expenses.	N/A	Yes	included



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### On Your Marq (OYM)

Marquette University

Milwaukee, WI

<https://www.marquette.edu/disability-services/on-your-marq/>

On Your Marq (OYM) is a college success program designed to assist neurodivergent students in navigating the college landscape at Marquette University.

We use an interdisciplinary approach and work together to build the support team and community students need to thrive here. Our mission to support students throughout their Marquette journey means our services adapt and grow with students, beginning with their transition to a university and evolving to help them transition to the workplace.

Applications to On Your Marq will only be accepted once a student has been admitted to Marquette. Typical student is high achieving and has been successful in the K–12 setting with supports such as: assignments broken down into smaller steps, organization support, extended deadlines, meeting 1:1 with teachers, adjusted assignment expectations, and reduced workload. Most importantly, they have a desire for similar supports at the university level. Program fee cannot be paid for with financial aid awards or funds.

Pre-College preparation program	Religious Affiliation	Number of students in the program	Student characteristics	Costs / per year	CTP*	On-Campus Housing	Housing Costs
N/A	YES	Undetermined	Neurodivergent students (Autism Spectrum Disorder, Pervasive Development Disorder (PDD), Social Pragmatic Communication Disorder, ADHD, and all other forms of neurodivergence)	\$8,000 program fee plus standard tuition. Annual tuition is dependent on the program and ranges from \$67,070–\$71,510	N/A	Yes	included



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### Shepherds College

Shepherds College

Union Grove , WI

<https://www.shepherdscollege.edu/>

Shepherds College is an accredited, non-degree-granting institution designed specifically for students with intellectual or developmental disabilities. Throughout the three years at Shepherds College, students will be equipped to reach Appropriate Independence through the development of vocational, social, and life skills. We offer certificates of completion in three immersive occupational majors.

Providing the tools and support to thrive - academically, spiritually, and personally - so you can embrace the life God intends for you.

3 Year Program with a Certificate of Completion in a specific occupational major: Culinary Arts, Horticulture and Technology Programs.

Pre-College preparation program	Religious Affiliation	Number of students in the program	Student characteristics	Costs / per year	CTP*	On-Campus Housing	Housing Costs
N/A	YES	86	intellectual and developmental disabilities	\$63,900 (tuition, room and meals included) ((additional fees are program dependent)	N/A	YES	included




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### UW-Whitewater LIFE Program

Pre-College preparation program	Religious Affiliation	Number of students in the program	Student characteristics	Costs / per year	CTP*	On-Campus Housing	Housing Costs
N/A	N/A	12-15	intellectual and developmental disabilities	\$24,000	YES	YES	\$4,750

College	University of Wisconsin - Whitewater
Location	Whitewater , WI
Website	<a href="https://www.uww.edu/coeps/departments/life-program">https://www.uww.edu/coeps/departments/life-program</a>
Description	LIFE (Learning is for Everyone) Program provides a complete college experience for young adults between the ages of 18-25 who have an intellectual disability.
Focus	With ample supports, specialized instruction, on-campus residential living, and community integration, the program serves a critical need by providing access and opportunity for students who have historically been underrepresented in higher education.
Additional Information	The program has two components, which includes a Basic Program (2 years) and an Advanced Program (2 years) that are designed to facilitate personal growth, independent living, and employment success.

		Pre-College preparation program	Religious Affiliation	Number of students in the program	Student characteristics	Costs / per year	CTP*	On-Campus Housing	Housing Costs
		N/A	N/A	Undetermined	Autism spectrum only	\$4,984	N/A	N/A	N/A
Name	<b>Uniquely Abled Academy</b>								
College	Milwaukee Area Technical College								
Location	Milwaukee, WI								
Website	<a href="https://www.matc.edu/academics/academic-resources/uniquely-abled-academy.html">https://www.matc.edu/academics/academic-resources/uniquely-abled-academy.html</a>								
Description	Designed to provide students on the Autism spectrum the hands-on training needed to prepare for a career as a computer numerical control (CNC) operator.								
Focus	The UAA CNC program is a two semester, cohort-based training with more than 500 hours of instruction. Upon completion, graduates will earn a CNC Setup and Operations credential, qualifying them for a number of entry-level positions.								
Additional Information	Individuals on the spectrum, who can participate in activities without the assistance of a caregiver (DSM-5 terminology: Level 1 Autism) are welcome to apply. Participants will learn how to apply basic safety practices in the machine shop, interpret industrial/engineering drawings, apply precision measuring methods to part inspection, and perform basic machine tool equipment setup and operation.								

\*A Comprehensive Transition and Postsecondary Program (CTP) is a college or career school program approved by the U.S. Department of Education for students with intellectual disabilities. These programs provide academic, social, career, and independent living instruction, often leading to a certificate or diploma. Enrollment in an approved CTP makes students eligible for federal student aid, such as Pell Grants, and allows them to integrate with their non-disabled peers on a college campus. <https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/eligibility/requirements/intellectual-disabilities>

\*\* Meal plan costs are only included when specifically stated by the College. Often meals are not included in tuition packages.

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