



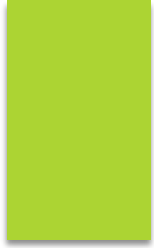

Project ACCESS at Florida Keys Community College

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Project ACCESS

Accessing Community College
Educational experiences, Social
experiences, and Skills for careers.



Project ACCESS will prepare students with intellectual disabilities and autism, over a 1 to 3-year period, to complete an individualized, vocational and technical-based curriculum that results in Certificate of Completion and an industry certification or a College Credit Certificate. This program is designed to meet the growing need to provide postsecondary educational opportunities to students with these disabilities and also prepare them for gainful employment in the community.

FKCC Project ACCESS Required Coursework and Activities

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- **CGS 1100** Intro to Computer Applications (3 Credits)
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- Special Olympics Club
- Weekly Meetings
- Campus Activities

Outcome(s): Workforce Readiness Certification & Customer Service and Sales Industry Certification through National Retail Federation

Support: Project ACCESS Instructors, Project ACCESS Staff, FKCC Instructors, FKCC Office of Students with Disabilities, FKCC Learning Center



FKCC College Certificate Programs

• **Field of study:**

- Business Operations
- Business Specialist
- Chef's Apprentice
- Culinary Arts
- Culinary Arts Management
- Entrepreneurship
- Guest Services Specialist
- Intro to Commercial/Work Diving
- Marine Engineering
- Marine Mammal Behavior & Training
- Professional Research Diving
- Professional Dive Instructor
- Rooms Division Management
- Rooms Division Operations
- Rooms Division Specialist
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- Academically Specialized courses with cohort
- Taught by adjunct (ideally with ESE background)




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- Fully inclusive
- CGS1100 may have an imbedded tutor (depends on the section)
- SLS1101 may be taught by the Project ACCESS adjunct, but is an inclusive class


- Fully inclusive
- 16 College Certificate options – many include embedded industry certifications

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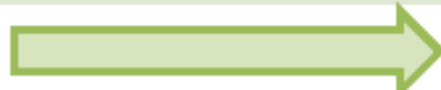
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Year 1



2013-2014



Three Students



Program began with "Vertical"
Classes in Community Education



Students would complete
internships on campus



Complete at many different paces
based on individualized
career/educational plan

Year 2



2014-2015



Six students



Vertical Classes in Community Education-not for credit



Local Recruitment Focus



First GRADUATE!

Year 3



2015-2016



Six students



Vertical Classes in Community Education-not for credit



Local Recruitment Focus



Started FPCTP Application!

Year 4



2016-2017



Six students



Started offering SLS courses in place of the Vertical courses.



Awarded the FPCTP Grant through the Florida Center for Students with Unique Abilities.



Start recruiting outside of Key West.

Year 5



2017-2018



Seven students



1 on-campus resident in
Lagoon Landing



SLS Classes – FOR CREDIT!



Submitted CTP application

Year 6



2018-2019



14 students



9 on-campus residents in
Lagoon Landing



Switch from *major* focus on local
recruitment only to expanding our
reach state-wide.



Received notice of ability to offer
financial aid (CTP approval).

Supports

Director, Student Success Services
(Office of Students with Disabilities)

Assistant Director, Student Success
Services (Career & Internship Support)

Coordinator, Transition Programs
(Program Coordinator)

Adjunct Faculty

Mentors – Residential or
Academic/Peer & Tutors

Mentors

- ▶ Academic/peer mentors: Academic and peer mentors are responsible for assisting students in developing and implementing individualized study plans, tutoring in a certain field or subject, meeting with instructors as necessary to obtain course information that will assist in effective tutoring. Additionally, Academic and social Mentors may assist with social experiences and attend social events with students when requested, monitor individual student progress and educate students on free tutoring and academic support available on campus.
- ▶ Residential mentors: Residential Mentors are responsible for living in the college residence hall with 1-2 students in the program at one time. Residential mentors help assist these students with daily living skills that are typical of dorm life including; housekeeping, grocery shopping, and meal planning. They advise on daily hygiene as well as, assist with implementation of transportation and navigation, social experiences and campus and environmental safety. Residential Mentors also educate students in the program on the code of conduct and guidelines for the residence hall.

Project ACCESS Tutoring Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	9:00am-11:00am Marta Office Hours & Weekly Meetings A Building	9:00am-4:00pm Marta Office Hours & Weekly Meetings A Building	9:00am-11:00am Marta Office Hours & Weekly Meetings A Building	12:30pm-5:00pm Writing Center tutor available
9:00am-10:00am Karen - SLS and Week Planning Library	11:00am- 12:15pm SLS Class with Marta - C233	9:00am-10:00am Karen - SLS and Week Planning Library	11:00am- 12:15pm SLS Class with Marta - C233	9:00am-5:00pm Computer tutor available
10:30am-11:30am Latara - Career Planning Writing Center	12:30pm-1:30pm Lunch	11:00am-12:00pm Latara - Career Planning Writing Center	12:30pm-1:30pm Lunch	
12:00pm-1:00pm Lunch	2:00pm-2:50pm SLS Class with Marta - C114	12:00pm-1:00pm Lunch	2:00pm-2:50pm SLS Class with Marta - C114	
1:30pm-3:30pm Logan Bullins & Writing Center Staff Computer Class and Writing Tutoring in the Writing Center		1:30pm-3:30pm Logan Bullins & Writing Center Staff Computer Class and Writing Tutoring in the Writing Center		
		2:00pm-3:00pm Marta - SLS Tutoring in the Writing Center		

