

A Quick Overview of Virginia's TPSID Grant

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VCU

Virginia Commonwealth University

- Established in 1779 and located in downtown Richmond
- More than 32,000 students on its academic and medical campuses
 - Humanities/Science
 - Allied Health
 - Arts
 - Business
 - Dentistry
 - Education
 - Engineering
 - Medicine
 - Nursing
 - Pharmacy
 - Social Work

School of Education

- TPSID grant is a collaboration between:
 - Rehabilitation and Research Training Center (RRTC)
Elizabeth Getzel www.worksupport.com
 - Partnership for People with Disabilities (the UCEDD)
Dr. Fred Orelove www.vcu.edu/partnership

TPSID Goals

- Build off VCU's ACE-IT! initiative and develop a 30 month “program of 1” for a minimum of 20 students with intellectual disabilities between the ages of 18-26
- Adapt model for a minimum of 15 students with ID at 2 community colleges
- Develop and implement training materials, curriculum, and information
- Support business mentoring and internships
- Evaluate

TPSID Components

- Virginia Collaborative for College (planning committee)
- Person-Centered Plans
- Academic Supports (individual plans and educational coaches)
- Career Exploration (business mentors, internships)

TPSID Components

- Social Networking (campus life)
- Financial Literacy and Planning
- Job Placement
- Housing

ACE-IT

Academic & Career Exploration: individualized techniques

- The model developed by VCU uses the principles of existing supported education models originally developed for individuals with psychiatric disabilities or ADD/ADHD.
 - a consumer-driven, individualized support system utilizing community and university resources.
 - Structured resources around the students' career choice to help them meet both their short- and long-term goals (Cooper, 1993; Egnew, 1993; Unger, 1998).
- VCUs model is designed to provide supports to veterans with traumatic brain injury within the current disability support services structure on campus, using both university and community resources

Steps

1. Application process
2. Person-centered plan
3. College application/enrollment
4. Individualized academic/career plan

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5. Educational supports
6. Career development services
7. Job placement and follow along

Additional Information

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