Undergraduate Certificate in KU Transition to Postsecondary Education

The mission of KU-Transition to Postsecondary Education (KU-TPE) is to ensure that students with Intellectual Disability (ID) have the opportunity to experience an inclusive postsecondary education at the University of Kansas through academic, career development and student life activities.

Students in KU-TPE experience high quality career development, including career internships, undergraduate KU academic coursework, and student life experiences with fellow Jayhawks.

During the 2-year non-degree seeking program leading to the KU Transition to Postsecondary Education certificate students:

- take credit-bearing KU courses with needed accommodations and adaptations,
- participate in KU student clubs, organizations, and activities,
- have the option to live in KU Housing, and
- develop a career path including internships each semester.

To be considered for admission students must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- A documented intellectual disability - this can be determined by:
  - IEP
  - Cumulative file
  - Physician’s documentation
  - Social Security Administration documentation
  - Psychological or Neuropsychological Evaluation Summary
  - Comprehensive Evaluation Summary
  - Vocational Rehabilitation documentation
- Student with significant support needs in both intellectual functioning and adaptive behavior
- Aged 18-25 years old
- Demonstrate skills in navigating community and school environments with a willingness to learn new modes of transportation
- Demonstrated level of unsupervised independence (2-4 hours) using appropriate supports with potential to increase independence over time
- Desire to gain skills and experiences in:
  - Academic and adult learning
  - Career development and employment
  - Self-determination
  - Adult roles and responsibilities
- Established competence and responsibility for medications and self-care
- Past experience with work-based learning (e.g., in-school, volunteering, and/or paid employment)
- Desire for obtaining integrated employment upon completion of the KU-TPE program

Please visit the KU-Transition to Postsecondary Education Program admissions page (http://tpe.ku.edu/application-materials/) for additional information.

- Students who pursue this certificate will be classified as non-degree undergraduates.
- The certificate is a 2-year program over 4 semesters. Students will be enrolled in a minimum of 6 credit hours each semester, and will take 4 required courses, with a minimum of 4 elective courses.
- Required courses: UNIV 101, EPSY 210, a Health & Wellness course and a Communications course as well as a career internship course each semester that align with student interest and identified career pathway.
- Elective courses: Specific KU coursework (4) will be identified for enrollment that aligns with student interest and identified career interests.
- Students will participate in career development and work-based learning internships during Years 1 and 2 (C&T 598). Internships will be supervised by KU TPE staff and will be located on the KU Lawrence campus units and within the Lawrence community.