

# Sampling of Administrative Resource Guides

- Application and Admission
- Faculty Support
- Parent Support and Trainer Information
- Workplace Information
- Student Characteristics
- Policies
- Accreditation and Degree Information
- Evaluation Information
- Grant Information

## Goals

- Prepare students for the workforce through academics, social and life skills, and workplace development
- Increase independence
- Promote self-determination and self-advocacy
- Promote lifelong learning
- Improve job placement
- Promote higher expectations for students and parents



*"My son is proving to himself that he has the ability to learn at this level, and his confidence to continue learning has grown immensely. He is no longer afraid of the idea of college, of future workplace participation, or of the future in general." — Parent*

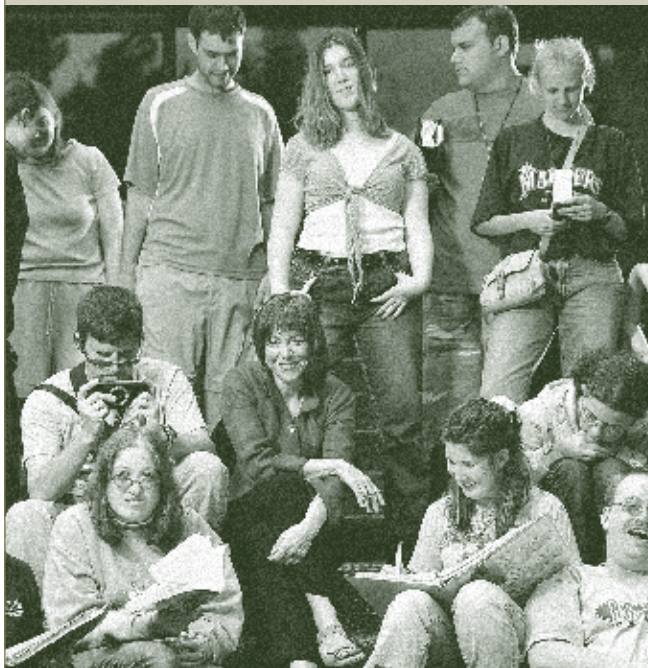
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## Passport: The Program for Unique Learners

**The Passport Program** is an innovative and bold approach to education of the unique learner — a comprehensive model program designed to successfully launch high school Transition or college age students challenged with intellectual and learning disabilities into adulthood.

*"There is only one thing more powerful than all the armies of the world, that is an idea whose time has come."*

— Victor Hugo

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# The Passport to Success

➤ Research shows that under-prepared students' motivation and self-esteem will actually *increase* by a more challenging curriculum. Emphasizing experiential and community learning, the **Passport** courses use problem solving, cognitive processing, teamwork, and career skills to help students understand both their genius and their challenges.

## Who We Serve

➤ The **Passport Program** curriculum and supporting Administrative Resource Guides are designed for individuals who receive extensive special education services, have challenges navigating in a traditional high school or college classroom, and who attain scores below the typical range on specific standardized tests of intellectual ability and academic performance. Students using this curriculum include those within the autism spectrum, high functioning, multiple learning disorders involving reading, mathematics, and expressive writing, and developmental disabilities.

## Critical Praise

*"This program was the best thing that ever happened for my daughter. The balanced approach of addressing academic, social and workplace issues is the wave of the future for this population, which often is coming from woefully inadequate secondary school experiences. Simply put, my daughter is a completely different person as a result of this program: she gained a social network, self-confidence, concrete knowledge and skills, and a future direction."*  
— Parent

*"I applaud the **Passport Program's** bold commitment to taking the education of students with disabilities to perhaps its ultimate conclusion. Visionary initiatives like this challenge the community's perceptions on disability and highlight the notion that we are 'all in it together'. Further, it dignifies the educational process of students with disabilities, by presenting higher order skills using appropriate structures."*  
— John O'Rourke, Ph.D. Edith Cowan University, Perth, Western Australia

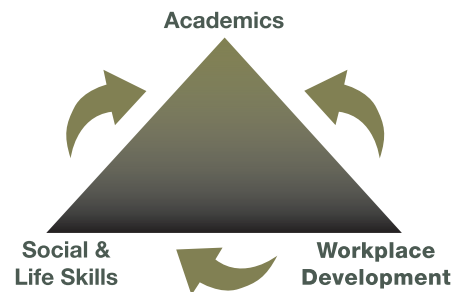
# Passport Program\*

## Passport: The Program for Unique Learners

➤ **Passport** is a comprehensive model program with a strategy for student success that begins with a focus on the whole person in three critical domains: Academics, Social and Life Skills, and Workplace Development. The program was the first accredited degree program in the nation for students challenged with intellectual and learning disabilities and was tested at a community college in Washington State. The **Passport** curriculum is appropriate for high school Transition programs, college certificate or degree

programs, private academies, public schools, charter schools, homeschooling organizations, educational start-ups or residential programs. The Passport curriculum has over 50 courses and accompanying Administrative Resource Guides. **All courses and Administrative Resource Guides are downloadable digital transactions for a quick and easy purchase process. Instructional and administrative consultation available upon request.**

\*The PASSPORT Program information was based on curriculum developed at Bellevue Community College



## How is Passport Unique?

- Passport is "shovel ready" for educational implementation.
- Passport emphasizes an experiential learning environment incorporating problem solving, critical thinking, and self-advocacy
- Passport designed an alternative assessment system mapped to the workplace.
- All 50 courses and Administrative Resource Guides are downloadable digital transactions for a quick and easy purchase process.
- Instructional and administrative consultation services available
- Passport was originally developed and tested at a community college at the cost of over a half a million dollars.

## Sampling of Core Courses

### Academics

Essential Reading and Writing:  
World Literature  
Learning Strategies  
Changing Surface of the Earth  
Math Skills  
Critical Thinking through Film

### Social and Life Skills

Conversations  
Brain Basics  
Nutrition and Personal Health  
Healthy Relationships  
Yoga  
Personal Finance

### Workplace Development

Problem Solvers in the Workplace  
Self-advocacy  
Conversations in the Workplace  
Computer Applications  
Field Experiences

