# The R.E.A.C.H. Program



# What is the REACH Program?

The R.E.A.C.H. (Realizing Educational and Career Hopes) Program at the College of Charleston is a four-year inclusive program for students with mild to moderate intellectual disabilities. The purpose of the program is to provide the opportunity for all students to realize their intellectual and personal potential, and to become responsible, productive members of society.

# Who should apply for the REACH Program?

- Students who have a mild to significant cognitive and /or developmental disability that interferes with their academic performance according to the AAIDD.
- Students who have been eligible for special education and related services under The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).
- Students who are at least 18 years old and have completed a high school program.

## What does the REACH program offer?

REACH students will participate in the academic, residential, social, and cultural experiences offered by the College of Charleston, with appropriate support for success.

- Regular College of Charleston courses with modifications
- Residential housing including Wi-Fi access, laundry, and cable television
- Internships on and off campus for career development
- Life skills, self-advocacy, and study skills training
- Participation in College of Charleston Best Buddies activities
- Stern Student Center: recreation/ exercise facilities, sporting events, and student clubs
- Support for social, academic, and professional integration

### How do I get more information?

For more information visit us at http://blogs.cofc./life/ or contact REACH Program Director Edie Cusack at CUSACKEL@COFC.EDU or call (843)953-4811.



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