Special Topics in Innovative Best Practices in Employment for People With Intellectual Disabilities

Are you passionate about supporting employment opportunities for all?

Increasingly, people with intellectual disabilities want to go to work. They are turning to vocational rehabilitation agencies and community organizations for assistance with getting jobs and building careers. This course will provide you with the knowledge and skills you need to effectively support people with intellectual disabilities to go to work in competitive, integrated jobs.

Course Description: This 3-credit, online, graduate-level course provides students with a comprehensive approach to the provision of vocational rehabilitation services to people with intellectual disabilities (ID) and their families/ caregivers. Students will gain knowledge and skills to:

- identify, explore, and address barriers to employment
- build collaborative partnerships with people with ID, their family members and caregivers, community providers, and educational providers
- explore multiple resources, strategies, and pathways to competitive integrated employment for people with ID

REHAB 620—Section 01 Dates: Mondays, Jan. 22—May 13, 2024 Location: Online Time: 7:30—9pm EST Cost: \$1,725 (Tuition assistance available)

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Registration deadline: January 29, 2024

Students will examine best practices in serving people with ID through relevant articles, case studies, multimedia resources, and online discussion forums.

Instructor: Mary DiBiase, MEd, is a Training Associate at the Institute for Community Inclusion, where she provides leadership in curriculum development, training, design, and implementation. Having worked extensively in the fields of employment services, youth transition services, and special education, she has a breadth of knowledge of how education and vocational services intersect with the world of employment

Tuition Assistance: Tuition assistance is available for students who do not have access to other scholarships or employment tuition assistance. <u>To request tuition assistance, please complete this application</u>. Tuition assistance is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

CRC credits: As a 3-credit graduate level course, this course qualifies for 15 CRC credits. You will receive CRC credits when you submit your transcript to the CRCC.

Accommodation Information: UMass Boston is committed to providing reasonable academic accommodations for all students with disabilities. If you have a disability and feel you will need accommodations in this course, please contact the Ross Center for Disability Services at (617) 287-7430 or www.umb.edu/academics/vpass/disability/



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