

## What would a typical day in the Achieve program look like?

Students will arrive on campus in order for classes to begin at 9 a.m. Students will receive classroom instruction until lunch. Students will eat lunch in the cafeteria with their EU peer mentor or Achieve classmates. After lunch, students will report to a supporting campus department for work skills and job exploration. Students will return to the classroom in time to be released at 3 p.m.

On occasion, students may arrive early or stay late to participate in campus events or meet with peer mentors.

On Fridays, students will be in the community practicing life management skills such as banking, transportation, or community service or spending time with their peer mentors.

# **Application Timeline:**

For Fall 2020 class Admission applications now available Applications due with a non-refundable

\$25 application fee
April 2020 Student interviews
May 1, 2020 Notification of program acceptance

Once an invitation is accepted, a \$200 non-refundable deposit will be required to secure a place in the program.

Aug. 10, 2020 Classes begin

# How do I know if this program is right for me? Describe a successful candidate:

An ideal candidate: 1) is serious about building a life of purpose 2) would benefit from an intensive one-year focus on building the skills necessary for success 3) has the interest and ability to obtain competitive employment or to continue their education.

## How much does the program cost?

The **investment** in this one year, intensive transition program is \$3,000 per semester, including tuition and fees. We recognize that this is an investment in the future of a young adult. We have done all we can to make this program as affordable as possible without compromising its quality and outcomes. Students will receive approx. 600 hours of personalized instruction, therefore when you break down the cost of the program, it equates to \$10 per hour. The value of this program far exceeds a \$10 per hour investment.

# Will my child get a job after this program?

Achieve does not guarantee a job at the completion of the program; however, students will spend many hours gaining job skills as they work within various campus departments. These job experiences will focus on work readiness skills as well as specific job-related tasks. These skills paired with the person-centered approach to our program are designed to give the student the skills and support to move into a preferred job at the completion of the program.

Our outcomes of competitive employment and college readiness will be used to measure our program success and we will be working hard to achieve this goal for every student.

# <u>Does Achieve provide transportation?</u>

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide transportation for students. Students are expected to arrive on campus for class to begin at 9 a.m. and are expected to be picked up at 3 p.m. Students will use public transportation for classwork that occurs off campus. It may be possible for Achieve students to use public transportation to/from the EU campus.

#### Can students apply for student loans or scholarships to attend Achieve?

Achieve students do not qualify for traditional college student loans or Pell grants. Students are encouraged to apply for local scholarship funds through their local school district or private entities.

If the student has an Able account, those funds may be used for tuition.

#### What if I get accepted and change my mind?

Once you have completed the application process and receive an acceptance letter, you will have 30 calendar days to accept the program invitation and pay the required \$200 deposit. Once the non-refundable deposit is paid, you are officially enrolled.

If for some reason you are unable to attend at the start of the program or you are no longer interested in the program, you will be responsible for a prorated amount of the tuition from the date of your initial acceptance.

## What is the role of parents?

Parental support is imperative for the success of the student. Parents will be asked to attend an initial parent orientation meeting at the beginning of the school year. During this meeting, you will learn how you can best support your child during this transition.