

Project STEPP

Fast Facts about Project STEPP

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- is a comprehensive program serving college students with documented learning disabilities (LD).
- offers academic, social, and life-skills support to a select number of motivated and committed students who demonstrate the potential to succeed in college.
- provides intensive supports well beyond the services legally required at the university level.
- accepts 10 new students per year. Both true freshmen and transfer students are welcome to apply.
- does not charge additional fees for services.
- does not limit a student's choice of major at ECU.

Program Outline

I. Incoming Transition Activities

- **Monthly transition mailings** designed to help students prepare for ECU
- **Transition consultation** provided by a Project STEPP staff member (including attending students' IEP meetings, if desired)
- **Boot Camp** held the week before classes begin in the fall of the student's first year to provide an intense introduction to ECU

II. Services and Requirements during the College Years

- Five Project STEPP **independent study classes** taken in addition to ECU's academic requirements
- **Study hall** for mentoring, tutoring, studying, and other academic activities (Each first-year student must log at least 15 hours in study hall per week)
- **Mentoring** by ECU graduate students who provide guidance, support, and structure for first-year students
- **Tutoring** for selected subjects available during study hall hours
- Cutting-edge **assistive technology** resources and support
- **Disability Support Services** available to all students in Project STEPP as appropriate
- **Grade reporting** to ensure that the Project STEPP staff and students remain on the same page about academic progress
- **Campus living component** with residence hall placement for all first-year students

III. Outgoing Transition Support

- **Internship** to facilitate the transition from college to career
- **Professional portfolio and resume** developed after being formally admitted to majors

Application Procedures

Students should plan to apply during junior year of high school. The Project STEPP application is available online at <http://www.ecu.edu/cs-educ/STEPP>

Application Deadlines

Entering ECU in Fall 2012 : May 15, 2011
Entering in Fall 2013 : May 15, 2012

Please note that the deadline for the 2011 cohort has passed. We are no longer accepting applications for students entering ECU in Fall 2011.

Questions about the application process should be directed to Emily Johnson at 252-737-2275 or johnsonem@ecu.edu

