

AAADD

Academic Assistance for Adults with Developmental Disabilities

2017 – 2018 OVERVIEW

AAADD offers adults with developmental disabilities the opportunity to further develop their academic skills while building social skills within a college environment.

Students work on individualized materials, at their own pace with the assistance of the class Developmental Support Specialists in both English and math. The current events, computers, job search and life skills subjects involve group work.

AAADD runs 40 weeks per year, beginning at the end of August and running through to the end of June. Students can attend AAADD courses for a maximum of four years. A fifth year may be available for students who transition from evening to day courses, subject to capacity and demand. (See Q&A section on website for details).

The first semester serves as a trial period. It provides an opportunity to determine if AAADD is a suitable fit for the student. Student's attendance, punctuality, motivation, behaviour and progress are evaluated on an ongoing basis.

Report cards are completed twice a year, once at the end of the fall semester (December) and again at the end of the spring semester (June). Upon completing AAADD, students receive a Certificate of Completion.

AAADD is facilitated by Developmental Support Specialists and a part-time Program Officer.



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Mature student status (19 years of age or over)
- Documentation of a developmental disability
- Most recent school report card and Individual Education Plan (IEP)
- Ability to work in a learning environment with a ratio of 1-9 for individual work and a 1-18 ratio for group activities
- Ability to manage transportation to and from the college and outing or work placement locations
- A level of independence that does not require constant supervision
- Participation in an information session (must be 18 years of age or older to book a session)
- Completion of an English and math assessment
- A psycho-educational assessment, if available

AAADD CLASSES

AAADD offers classes in English, math, current events, life skills, computers and job search.

In **English**, students develop skills and abilities in reading, spelling, grammar, and comprehension.

In **math**, students develop skills in numbers, computation, geometry, problem solving, time, money and measurements.

In **current events**, students use newspapers to discuss local, national, and international news as well as learn topics related to Canadian and world geography.



In **life skills**, students explore subjects related to personal safety and relationships.

In **computers**, students become familiar with various computer operations and complete projects using MSWord, MSPowerPoint and MSPublisher as well as the Internet.

In **job search**, students learn the steps needed to enter the workforce, from job availability, to resume writing and interview skills. Students also participate in hands-on work experience in class. Students may also participate in work placements within and outside the College.

"This is my 4th year in this program. I enjoyed the curriculum here and really like the staff here. I feel happy here to be part of this program. I've learn a lot in this program."

Jeremy Abramson – student

"I like to learn different things...the college is my favorite school."

Kelly Merchand – student

"I like the program. I like math, literacy, and job search. I made a lot of new friends at school. I like the teachers."

Jean Stewart – student

"I enjoy all of my classes that I am taking. I like it. I am part of Student Council this year. I do like to go to meeting and help with planning fun things during the school year."

Jonathan Yu – student

"We go out on outings and we have bake sales to raise money."

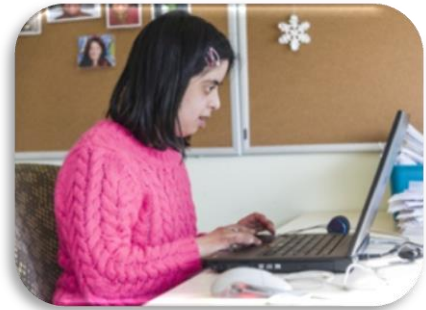
Daniel Sexton – student

"I like to learn and be with friends." Matthew Gregory – student

ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

AAADD courses are complemented with various activities and services, including:

- **ALGONQUIN COLLEGE EMAIL ADDRESS:** Students obtain a college email address.
- **IPAD and LAPTOPS:** Students access iPads and laptop computers for various class projects and activities.
- **STUDENT COUNCIL:** Members plan and organize fundraising activities for special outings and activities.
- **AAADD DIARY:** Students write an internal newsletter through their current events and English work.
- **PRESENTATIONS:** Students attend interactive presentations developed by Developmental Service Worker (DSW) program students as part of their *Sexuality, Relationships, and Persons with Disabilities* course.
- **RECREATION:** Students participate in gym activities developed by students from the Recreation and Leisure Services program.
- **GUEST SPEAKERS:** Students benefit from occasional guest speakers.
- **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:** DSW students complete their co-op placement with AAADD, providing additional support to students in class.
- **COLLEGE ACTIVITIES:** Students can participate in various college activities and events throughout the year.



DAY SCHEDULE & FEES

Students attend Monday to Friday for half the day, either morning or afternoon. The choice of morning or afternoon is made at the beginning of the year and remains the same for the full year. Two classes of nine students run concurrently.

MORNING					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30 am to 11:30 am	English or Math	English or Math	Job Search or Current Events	Computers or Life Skills	English or Math

AFTERNOON					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12:30 pm to 3:30 pm	English or Math	English or Math	Job Search or Current Events	Computers or Life Skills	English or Math

TERM	DATES	TUITION and FEES	PAYMENT		
			WAIVED*	ISBP*	STUDENT
Fall 2017	28 Aug to 15 Dec	\$2,014.00	\$300.00	\$1,714.00	\$0.00
Winter 2018	2 Jan to 27 Apr	\$2,014.00	\$300.00	\$36.00	\$1,678.00
Spring 2018	30 Apr to 22 June	\$1,042.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$892.00
TOTAL		\$5,070.00	\$750.00	\$1,750.00	\$2,570.00

* The College supports eligible students up to a maximum of \$2,500.00 through a combination of ISBP and waving of CE Service Fees. See page 6 for details on financial assistance options.

DAY LOCKER FEES

August 2017 to June 2018	\$52.50 for 3 semesters
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EVENING SCHEDULE & FEES

Students attend classes on either Tuesday and/or Wednesday evening, 5:30 to 8:30pm. Class choices are made at the beginning of the year and remain the same for the full year.

On Tuesdays, there are two classes of nine students. They alternate between English and Math each week. On Wednesdays, there is one class of nine students taking the Computers course.

TERM	DATES	TUITION and FEES	PAYMENT		
			WAIVED*	ISBP*	STUDENT
Fall 2017	28 Aug to 15 Dec	\$453.80	\$60.00	\$393.80	\$0.00
Winter 2018	2 Jan to 27 Apr	\$453.80	\$60.00	\$393.80	\$0.00
Spring 2018	30 Apr to 22 June	\$259.40	\$30.00	\$229.40	\$0.00
TOTAL		\$1,167.00	\$150.00	\$1,017.00	\$0.00

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"AAADD is fun. It makes me happy because the teachers help me. I meet new students they are really nice. I like working in my books."

Fred Rudisuela – student

"It is a fun program. I am learning a lot in math and life skills. Come to this program, you will make new friends."

Estibaliz Lopez – student

FINANCIAL AID

Financial assistance for AAADD students is provided by:

- The College waiving the Continuing Education Service Fee
- The ISBP – Institution-Funded Special Bursary Program
- The AAADD Bursary

If a student is not eligible or does not apply for financial assistance, they are responsible for the full cost.

THE INSTITUTION-FUNDED SPECIAL BURSARY PROGRAM

The ISBP application is completed once a year, before the fall term. If approved, ISBP will fully cover the fall term and part of the winter term for day students; and will fully cover the fall, the winter, and the spring term for evening students.

Refer to the Fees tables on pages 4 and 5 for the amount of support provided by the College/ISBP in each term.



THE AAADD BURSARY

Applications for the AAADD Bursary are accepted in February of each year. The Bursary assists students who are at risk of not being able to continue their education in AAADD due to financial need. Successful applicants have the value of the bursary applied towards their spring term tuition costs.

The number and the value of the bursaries awarded each year depend upon the amount of money raised in the fall fundraising campaign.

REFUND POLICY

Full Refund	Course cancelled by the college
Partial Refund	A refund less a \$25 administrative fee if the withdrawal request is received prior to the third scheduled class.

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