



UI REACH

University of Iowa – UI REACH

**ASSISTING STUDENTS WITH INTELLECTUAL, COGNITIVE AND LEARNING
DISABILITIES**

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Quick Facts about the College/University

Name of University: **University of Iowa – BIG 10 University; UI REACH**

Type of School: **2, 3 or 4 Year Certificate Program**

Location: **Iowa City, Iowa**

Size: **University- over 32,000 & UI REACH – 41 in-person in Fall 2020**

Featured Programs/Majors or Fun Facts:

- **Fully residential and fully inclusive**
- **18 full-time professional staff to support students**
- **Year 1 career exploration and Year 2, 3, and 4 internships**
- **National and international in scope and recruiting – over 24 states and Canada**
- **ACT WorkKeys Curriculum used in Career and Transition Programming – most at least Bronze**
- **88% of UI REACH students are employed after graduation ***

**Note: New figures from surveying all graduates of program in 2019-2020.*



UI REACH STUDENT PROFILE

Applicants possessing the following are most likely to meet UI REACH admission standards:

- Successful completion of high school and readiness for a collegiate experience
- Diagnosis of a mild intellectual or developmental disability
- Motivation to make continued personal growth in areas of academics, career development, social interaction, and/or independent living

The ability to be safely be part of a Big 10 campus community is essential. Applicants should have a demonstrated ability to:

- Appropriately manage unsupervised time independently
- Accurately recall and communicate past-events
- Navigate moderate social or executive functioning challenges independently
- Recognize appropriate social and physical boundaries
- Manage medicinal, basic health, and hygiene needs independently

KEY ACADEMIC & FUNCTIONAL SKILLS AREAS

- UI REACH is a post-secondary EDUCATIONAL experience
- While the UI REACH program provides access to University of Iowa courses, the UI REACH program also provides supplemental instruction in key academic and functional skill areas
 - We use high leverage/evidence-based practices to significantly increase reading and writing skills
 - We use explicit instruction to teach social skills instruction and a healthy relationships class
 - Advisors and UI REACH staff intentionally create space and opportunities for students to practice self-advocacy and decision making
 - We use universal design in how we deliver content
 - We are integrating Accessible Technology (AT) into our classes to ensure every student is able to learn as they are best able



Application Process for UI REACH

Common App/Institutional App: Apply on our website - <https://education.uiowa.edu/services/ui-reach-realizing-educational-and-career-hopes/apply-ui-reach>

Deadlines: To be considered for enrollment in Fall 2021, it is best to submit your application by **December 31, 2020**. Preference will be given to those applicants whose completed materials are submitted prior to December 31, 2020, but applications can be submitted through March 31, 2020 in consideration for Fall 2020 admission.

Application Materials (there is an Application Checklist online as well):

- Application Fee
- General Online Application
- Skills Assessment
- Three References
- Intellectual Assessment
- Most Recent High School Transcript



Disability Services

Name of Office: **Student Disability Services**

Contact Person: **Mark M. Harris, Ph. D., Director**

Location: **Student Disability Services; 3015 Burge Hall; Iowa City, IA 52245**

319-335-1462

Fax: 319-335-3973

sds-info@uiowa.edu

Website: **<https://sds.studentlife.uiowa.edu/>**

Programs/Services Offered by the Disability Services Office

Common Accommodations:

- Adaptive furniture in the classroom
- Allow audio recording of class
- Allow short breaks during class or exams
- Alternatives for in-class presentations
- Class notes
- Deadline modification
- Deaf and Hard of Hearing accommodations
- Disability-related absence and deadline modification (DRADM)
- E-text for required textbooks
- Extended time for exams and quizzes
- Grammar/Spelling
- Large print
- Memory aid
- Preferential seating
- Priority registration
- Reduced distraction environment for exams and quizzes
- Scribe for Essay Exams
- Scribe for Scantron
- Use of a calculator
- Use of a computer or other adaptive equipment for exams
- World language substitution courses

Fun Videos/Supplemental Materials

UI REACH INFORMATIONAL VIDEO:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6PXCbt3hHQ>

INTERNSHIP VIDEO PROFILE – Danny McGregor-Huyer:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=krtaplleH8>

A Dream Within REACH: Making the Hawkeye Marching Band | Iowa Magazine – Jack Emptage:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Th5r0hl_xoo&feature=emb_title

Virtual Tours for Families (go to website or call) -

2020-2021 Dates:

- Mon., Oct. 19, 10 am central
- Fri., Nov. 6, 10 am central
- Fri., Dec. 11, 10 am central
- Fri., Jan. 15, 10 am central



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