COLLEGE AUTISM NETWORK: FAST FACTS #17

Supporting Autistic College Student Success through the IPACE Framework



This framework comes from a national study of 430 autistic undergraduate student participants.

DENTITY • Considers how students develop and understand their multiple identities during college

PSYCHOLOGY: Recognizes the prevalence of mental health-related concerns among autistic college students

ACADEMICS: Notes the importance of academic factors like GPA and graduation in influencing how autistic students define success

COMMUNITY: Explores the role of social belonging with other people in determining success

EMPLOYMENT: Focuses on the relationship between college and meaningful career opportunities as a marker of success

We asked 430 undergraduate autistic students to reflect on how each of these domains factored into their definitions of success

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