Connecting to College
Support for Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder and Related Needs

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Connecting to College (CtC) provides weekly support for students with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) enrolled in the program. Each student first works with their transition specialist to identify one to three goals. Then the student and transition specialist work together towards those goals by targeting specific skills that will help the student meet their individual goals. Students typically meet with their transition specialist one to two hours per week.

Possible goals include:

- Transitioning to college.
- Improving independent living skills.
- Engaging appropriately in the classroom and with professors.
- Connecting with peers and student groups.
- Accessing available support services on campus.
- Preparing for careers or further education.

CtC aims to provide resources for the larger UHCL community about how to best support our students with ASD. From one-on-one consultations to campus-wide trainings, CtC has become a resource for faculty, staff, and students.

Services include:

- One-on-one consultations with faculty on classroom strategies.
- Facilitated discussions between professors and students.
- University-wide “Autism Allies” trainings.
- Individualized trainings for specific campus departments.
- Collaboration with Disability Services, Student Success Center and other support services.

CtC acts as a central hub for participating students to regularly connect with other CtC students and support services on campus.

Students receiving general support:

- Stay on track by meeting with an academic coach in the Student Success Center.
- Consult with a CtC transition specialist twice per semester.
- Build community with other CtC students through structured groups facilitated by Counseling Services and unstructured social events throughout the semester.
- Connect with Disability Services and Career Services to ensure progress in both their academic and career pursuits.
- Experience an interconnected support system facilitated by open communication among UHCL support services.