



EMPLOYMENT WEBINAR SERIES

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Self-Advocacy to Increase Employment Related Skills for College Students with Intellectual Disability

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ABOUT THIS PRESENTATION: Young adults with intellectual disabilities (ID) have a plethora of strengths, talents, and aspirations, yet they often face challenges in achieving independent living and meaningful employment. In this presentation, we will delve into the pivotal role of self-advocacy in empowering these individuals to acquire vital independent living skills and secure fulfilling employment opportunities. Through an exploration of theoretical foundations and practical strategies, participants will gain a deeper understanding of the transformative potential of self-advocacy and learn how to implement strategies when working with young adults with intellectual disabilities.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Define and understand the concept of self-advocacy and its significance.
- Identify the core components of the framework proposed by Test, Fowler and Wood (2005).
- Apply practical strategies for enhancing self-advocacy skills in various life situations.
- Analyze real-world examples to recognize the effectiveness of self-advocacy within the framework.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0vd--grjlvHtfcJH9CjSTKFTT1g1kqKJQe>.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

INFORMATION & ACCOMMODATION: Closed Captioning is provided. If other accommodations are needed please contact event organizer, Denise R. Barnes, MA, FCIC Employment Coordinator at drbarnes@usf.edu or 813-974-1063.

SPEAKER/PRESENTER



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