DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL MICROCREDENTIALS Prep for NADSP DSP-I and DSP-II Credentialing



DSP-I courses for our Fall 2025 semester begin on August 25th!

The Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) in partnership with the National Alliance for Direct Support Professionals (NADSP) and the State University of New York (SUNY) are providing a special grant program that provides full funding for tuition, fees, books, course materials, and NADSP credentialing.

Successful completion of the program will give the student:

- 1. A SUNY micro-credential of up to 12 accredited and transferable academic credits that can be applied to future certificates and degrees at OCC or other institutions;
- 2. NADSP Direct Support Professional I (DSP-I) and Direct Support Professional II (DSP-II) credentials;
- 3. \$750 incentive for eligible students who complete at least one NADSP certification;
- 4. On-site academic support where you can earn while you learn. For those currently not employed as a Direct Support Professional, work-based learning opportunities will be available through internship assignments.

Ready to start the Admissions process?

Use the QR Code to apply using the Microcredential Request form



Registration for Fall semester starts on April 1st. Apply now so you can register on time to secure your spot!



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