



Hi, I'm Maria! I enrolled at SPCC to improve my English. I completed high school internationally and now live in Monroe with my husband and two children. I am 41-years old and this is my second semester enrolling at SPCC while I am working.



Maria's peers in the ESOL - English for Speakers of Other Languages program

Represents 7% of the overall SPCC population

69% Female

10% White

1% Black

84% Hispanic

9% Age 21 and Under

18% Age 22-29

29% Age 30-39

44% Age 40 and Over

75% Union County

2% Anson County

22% Other County

37% live in 28110 (Monroe)

16% in 28112 (Monroe)

14% in 28079 (Indian Trail)

36 different countries and 14 different languages represented in a given year

64% are employed while enrolled

20% have a prior international postsecondary degree

Many students have interrupted enrollment:

39% started more than 5 years ago

50% started at SPCC in the past 2 calendar years in a credit or non-credit area

Represents 55% of the Adult Basic Skills Department

The Adult Basic Skills department includes:

English for Speakers of Other Languages – academic opportunities for non-native English speakers including English language classes and citizenship classes

High School Equivalency - Preparation for GED and HiSet exams and adult high school

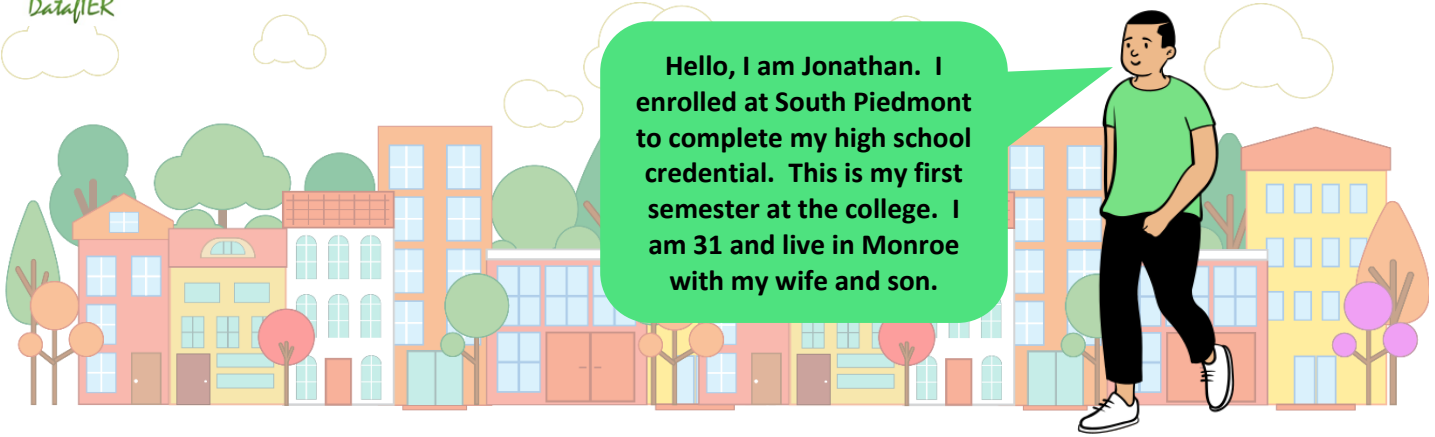
Compass Education - Academic based program for adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities designed to provide the skills to transition to higher education or employment

The SPCC service area population, age 18 and older (from the US Census Bureau):

88% speak English only

7% speak another language and also speak English "very well"

5% speak another language and speak English less than "very well" – this amounts to 9,600 residents



Jonathan's peers in high school equivalency programs

Represents 5% of the overall SPCC population

47% Female

39% White

38% Black

18% Hispanic

30% Age 21 and Under

27% Age 22-29

21% Age 30-39

23% Age 40 and Over

31 Average Age

60% Union County

30% Anson County

10% Other County

23% live in 28110 (Monroe)

20% in 28135 (Polkton)

13% in 28112 (Monroe)

39% are employed while enrolled

49% take at least one evening course

34% are in their first semester at SPCC

21% second semester

Represents 41% of the Adult Basic Skills Department

The Adult Basic Skills department includes:

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High School Equivalency - Preparation for GED and HiSet exams and adult high school

Compass Education - Academic based program for adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities designed to provide the skills to transition to higher education or employment

**The SPCC service area population, age 18 and older (from the US Census Bureau):
11% have not completed high school – which is more than 17,000 residents**