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**DISABILITY
RESOURCES &
EDUCATIONAL
SERVICES**

[DISABILITY.ILLINOIS.EDU](https://disability.illinois.edu)

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Disability Resources
& Educational Services
COLLEGE OF APPLIED HEALTH SCIENCES

Disability Services

Name of Office: Disability Resources and Educational Services (DRES)

Contact Person: disability@illinois.edu

Location: 1207 S Oak St Champaign IL 61820

Website: disability.illinois.edu

Programs/Services Offered

- Academic Accommodations
(including Testing Accommodations)
- Note taking software
- Priority Registration
- Reduced Course Load
- Interpreting/CART/Typewell
- Academic Coaching
- Career Supports
- Study Abroad
- Assistive Technology
- Text Conversion
- Video Captioning

Support Services: Academic Coaching

- Weekly 60-minute session with academic coach for time management, organization, planning out week, and general study skills.
- Academic Lab/Drop-in Coaching – same service as weekly session but drop-in style. Students who see coach weekly can also use drop-in service too.
- Coaching is not tutoring. Coaches can help students find tutors on campus.
- No charge and no session cap (as long as student shows up to sessions).

Support Services: Mental Health Counseling

- Mental Health Providers: Clinical Psychologists, Licensed Clinical Counselors, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Psychology PhD interns, Social Work interns
- Weekly, 50 minute sessions and support groups
- No charge and no session cap (as long as students show up to sessions)
- Waiting list for services
 - [Counseling Center](#) is available for all students. 217-333-3704 any time after 7:50 a.m, Monday through Friday

Support Services: Career Services

- **Career Services – Employment Support**
 - Resume, Cover Letter, and/or Personal Statement Creation and/or Editing
 - Interview Preparation
 - Mock Interview Sessions
 - Disability Disclosure Consultations
 - Workplace Accommodation Consultations
 - Career Coaching Sessions
 - LinkedIn and/or Handshake Tutorials and/or Profile Reviews
 - Internship and/or Job Shadowing Consultations

Application Process for Students w/ Disabilities

Where to find the application: <https://www.disability.illinois.edu/applying-services>

When to apply: After student accepts offer of admission to college

How to disclose: Application has a section for students to describe more about their disability.

Application Process for Students w/ Disabilities

- Students need to contact the disability services office to make the appointment
- Submit documentation with your application
- During your intake meeting, you should be prepared to share your strengths/weaknesses and accommodations

Supporting Documentation

- Documentation requirements: <https://www.disability.illinois.edu/applying-services/documentation-requirements>
- 504/IEP are not accepted as primary documentation, but are helpful!
- Psychoeducational testing/file reviews done in high school
- Must be typed by a qualified professional and signed
- We also accept medical records/notes as documentation as long as we can see the needed information.

Supporting Documentation

- Documentation should include:
 - Disability diagnosis
 - How does the disability impact the student in the classroom
 - What accommodations might reduce the impact of the disability within the classroom

Advocacy in College

- All students, regardless of disability status, are expected to meet the same requirements of a particular class or program of study.
- Students must self-identify to disability services office and request accommodations
- Staff at our office can help with this entire process – reach out to us as soon as you have a question!

Contacts

General Questions: disability@illinois.edu

Psychiatric Disabilities:

- Mandi Carey, Teresa Davenport,, Rachel Green, Emily Haycraft

Deaf/HOH and Blind/Low Vision:

- Tina Cowsert

Learning Disabilities/ADHD:

- Brian Siemann

Physical/Chronic Disabilities:

- April Garrison