

University of Wisconsin-Whitewater



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Center for Students
with Disabilities

Quick Facts About UW-Whitewater

- **Type of School:** UW-Whitewater has 2 campuses; Main campus is a 4 year college and Rock campus is a 2 year college
- **Location:** Located in South Central Wisconsin
- **Size:**
 - Main campus in Whitewater: 11,000
 - Rock campus in Janesville: 1,000
- **Fun Facts:** UWW was founded 150 years ago as a teachers college. UWW is known for graduating the most licensed teachers in the state. UWW is also known to have the largest Business college in the state of Wisconsin
- **Specialty Programs offered:** Marine Biology, Social Work, Media Arts and Games Development, Communications Science and Disorders, Occupational Safety



Differences Between High School and College

	Cost	Attendance	Daily Grind
High School	Free	Attendance taken, checks homework, impart knowledge, helps students to learn	Most time is structured, limits defined by teachers and parents
College	Tuition, fees, etc.	Sometimes attendance isn't taken; homework might not be graded/checked	Unstructured, more "free" time



Differences Between High School and College

	Class Time	Study Time	Frequency of Exams	Academic Standards	Support Team
High School	6-8 hours per day	Whatever it takes	Tests/quizzes often	Passing grade keeps your seat	Same case manager for years
College	12 hours per week	2-3 hours of study for each hour of class	2-4 per semester	Need to get C's or better to keep your seat	A set of new faces



Difference Between High School and College

- **Students don't have and IEP or 504 Plan in College**
- **Students do not always have access to the same accommodations provided in HS**
- **Must request services and disclose disability in order to receive accommodations**



Which Accommodations Can I Have?

ALLOWED

- Extended time on exams/quizzes
- Low distraction room for testing
- Sign language interpreting
- Volunteer note taking
- In-class aides
- Assistive technology, etc.

NOT ALLOWED/provided

- Modified curriculum
- Using notes or a notecard on test
- Exam retakes
- Extra time for assignments
- Modified assignments
- Personal care aides (not provided by CSD), etc.



Who could be eligible for Disability Services

- **Students with:**
 - Physical Disabilities
 - Autism Spectrum Disorder
 - Visual or hearing impairments
 - Learning Disabilities
 - ADHD
 - Psychological Disorders
 - Traumatic Brain Injury or Concussions
 - Chronic Health Condition



How Do I Access Disability Services at UW-Whitewater?

- **Submit a CSD application (uww.edu/csd)**
- **Submit documentation (ie. IEP, 504, Physician documentation)**
 - **Student may be requested to submit more than one type of documentation**
- **Meet with your Disability Services Coordinator for an intake appointment before your first semester begins**
 - **Discuss documentation and accommodations**
 - **Get answers to your questions**



Services Available

Tier 1

Mandated Service

- Application
- Intake/Service Plan
- Request Services
- Training for Services
- Delivery

Tier 2

Success Services

- Pre-Enrollment
- Fall Orientation
- Basic Trainings: Services
- Basic Assistive Technology
- Ongoing Case Management

Tier 3

Fee-Based Success Services

- Summer Transition Program
- Project ASSIST
- Adaptive Transportation
- Employment Connections
- Out-of-Class Aides



Other Programs Offered

Fee Based Services

- **Summer Transition Program:** Program of Opportunity for incoming CSD freshman. Student's take two three credit courses, live on campus and get familiar with disability services and college life.
- **Adaptive Transportation (Warhawk Wheels):** Pick up and drop off service for on and off campus rides.
- **Project Assist:** Provides tutoring services to students, including one on one tutoring, organizational tutoring and drop in tutoring.
- **Employment Connections:** This program promotes and supports undergraduate and graduate students with disabilities to engage in work, internships and post-graduate employment outcomes.



Self-disclosure

- **Students are not required to request accommodations**
- **If a student has been approved for services, they need to tell their professors if they want to use those services**
- **If a student chooses not to disclose, the instructor is not obligated to provide accommodations**
- **Students are responsible for monitoring their own performance, attendance, work, etc.**



What Does A Disability Services Coordinator (DSC) Do?

- **Every DSC has a caseload of about 100-150 students**
- **Decides accommodations**
- **Answers questions and refers students to on- and off-campus resources**
- **Has check-in meetings with students**
- **Helps student develop self-advocacy and independence**
- **Focuses on the student's strengths**
- **Does not monitor class attendance or grades**



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