



Office of  
Disability Support  
Services

*New Student Orientation  
Summer 2019*



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## Who do we serve?

Students with disabilities, chronic health conditions, and temporary injuries or health events

- Approximately 1,950 students are registered with DSS (6%)
- Majority have a learning disability and/or ADHD
- Most have more than one diagnosis, often anxiety and depression
- Fastest growing groups are students with chronic health and mental health impairments
- Anxiety noted in documentation of many students

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## What do we do?

- *Verify students' eligibility* to receive services and accommodations
- *Communicate students' needs* to instructors and campus departments
- *Facilitate formal and informal accommodations* "in house"
- *Provide resources, education and consultation* to the university on accessibility

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## **Typical accommodations:**

- Extended time for exams; Distraction-reduced examination environment
- Note-taking Assistance
- Accessible formats of printed material (text converted to digital format Braille, e-text)
- Assistive Technology (LiveScribe Pens, Kurzweil software, Read&Write, Note Taking Tools)
- Early class registration

## **How to register with DSS**

1. Complete application via DSS website (click on SAM logo)
2. Provide documentation of condition/disability to DSS (upload to SAM)
3. Schedule an appointment to meet with an Accommodation Coordinator for a “registration meeting” to develop an accommodation plan

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## Contact Information

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