

WELCOME

Welcome to Student Accessibility Services (SAS) at Florida Atlantic University (FAU). The mission of the SAS at FAU is to support students with disabilities in their pursuit of equity and excellence in education. SAS works with FAU faculty and staff to ensure that reasonable accommodations are provided to allow students an equal opportunity to learn in the classroom setting and to have access to all areas of FAU campuses. SAS fosters student self-advocacy and the development of compensatory skills that support independent learning.

ADMISSION TO FAU

All students interested in attending FAU should contact the Office of Admissions at 561.297.3040. Students applying to FAU with questions about the admissions process as it relates to a documented disability should discuss this matter with FAU's admissions staff. Students with disabilities submit their admissions applications in the same way as all other students. After students with disabilities have been accepted to FAU, they may then apply for services with SAS.

REGISTERING WITH STUDENT ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES (SAS)

There are 3 steps to apply for services:

1. Application for Support Services

The student must complete and submit an online Application for Academic Accommodations at:

<https://clockwork.fau.edu/ClockWork/user/intake/default.aspx>.

2. Documentation of Disability

It is the student's responsibility to provide official documentation of a disability from a qualified professional. Documentation requirements can be found on the SAS website at www.fau.edu/sas/Brochures.php.

Doctor's prescription pad notes will NOT be accepted. IEP's and 504 plans are not acceptable as documentation.

3. Welcome Meeting (Intake Interview)

Once the application and appropriate documentation have been reviewed, an SAS consultant contacts the student to set up an intake interview. The student meets with the SAS consultant to discuss the disability. Appropriate support services are then determined and accommodations are activated based upon this discussion and the student's documentation.

Students with a temporary medical condition may be granted services on a provisional basis as long as the condition affects the student academically. Provisional status may also be implemented if the documentation verifies the disability but is missing an essential component or needs updating (providing the student has previously received services). For more information about documentation for your disability, please refer to the appropriate brochure on the SAS website. All documentation, files, and students' names are kept confidential and are not released to anyone without the student's prior written permission. Documentation information is not a part of the student's official University record.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Students who register with SAS are eligible for accommodations and support services based on their documentation and an interactive process between the student and SAS consultant. Students who request accommodations must present this request for services in sufficient time for the University to coordinate these services. Some services may require a minimum of two weeks' notice to arrange. It is recommended that students request services prior to the beginning of the semester.

The following is a list of some available support services:

- Advocacy
- Advice on classroom accommodations
- Liaison to faculty
- Professor notification
- Notetakers/audio record classes
- Equipment loans
- Sign language interpreters
- Exam adaptations
- Enlarged print materials
- Study strategy instruction
- Access to campus classrooms and labs, activities, internships and other resources
- Assistive Technology Lab (AT Lab)

Student Accessibility Services serves students under the auspices of the Division of Student Affairs in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and the Americans with Disabilities Act as Amended of 2008. Student Accessibility Services' consultants can provide details about the services listed in this pamphlet and are available to meet with prospective students. Interested individuals are encouraged to contact Student Accessibility Services by phone, letter, e-mail, or in person.

TYPES OF DISABILITIES

The following is a list of disability categories that may be eligible to receive SAS support services:

- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder
- Deaf/Hard of Hearing
- Learning Disability
- Medical Impairment
- Physical/Mobility Impairment
- Psychological Disorder
- Speech Impairment
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Visual Impairment



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Guide to Student Accessibility Services

An Informational Brochure from Student Accessibility Services

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