

MISSION STATEMENT

The University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, seeks to reach its highest level of academic and personal achievement. The Mission of The Disability Services Office is to collaborate with and empower students who have disabilities in order to coordinate support services and programs that enable access to an education and university life. Through our various student services and programs, we emphasize the importance or recognizing and embracing individual differences. In keeping with this Mission, UAPB is committed to helping students with disabilities obtain equal access to academic and programmatic services while allowing students to maintain a sense of independence.

THE LAW

The University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff is in full accord with the spirit set forth in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 which prohibits discrimination on the basis of a physical or mental disability. All programs and activities are open to students with disabilities whose participants may be limited. Although UAPB does not offer a specialized curriculum for persons with disabilities or assume the role of a rehabilitation center, UAPB offers a variety of support services so that students with disabilities are admitted and integrated as completely as possible into the university.

ADMISSION

The student has an obligation to self-identity that he/she has a disability and needs accommodations. UAPB will require that the student provide appropriate documentation, at the student's expense, in order to establish the existence of the disability and the need for accommodations.

The student should have his/her documentation from a Clinical Psychologist, Physical/Vocational Evaluator, etc... for our records. The report should be no more than three years old. IEP is not an acceptable documentation, but can be used as a reference.

SERVICE ELIGIBILITY

Services are based on the need presented by each individual student's disability or disabilities, and generally come in the form of reasonable accommodations. The term reasonable accommodations refers to a modification or adjustment made to a course, program, service, activity, or facility that enables a qualified student with a disability to have an equal opportunity to attain the same level of performance, or enjoy equal benefits and privileges, as are available to similarly situated student without disabilities.

Services can include, but are not necessarily limited to, classroom modifications such as preferential seating, the use of a tape recorder, recorded lectures, testing adjustments such as extended time on exams

or enlarged text and provided physical access to programs and services. These types of academic accommodations can vary from student to student and from class to class. For example, a student with a learning disability may wish to tape record a history class but not a math class.

Since services vary from class to class and from term to term, students are required to make service requests each semester that they are in school and require services. Services do not automatically carry over from semester to semester.

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Assistive Technology is available to students registered with the Office of Disability Services.

JAWS Speech Program-Text-to-Speech Software
Open Book-Scan and Read Software
Duxbury-Translation Software
Juliet Classic-Braille Embrosser
M20 Note taker-Braille Note taker
Zoom Text II-Text-to Speech Software
Dragon Naturally Speaking Pro-Voice Dictation
TDD-Telecommunication Device for the Deaf
WYNN-Reading Software
Trackball-Alternative Mouse
CCTV-Magnify Text Document
Victor Reader-Reads books on CD
Quick Look-Hand held Compact Magnifier
Opletac Clear View 517XL-Portable Magnifier
Talking Calculator-Voice output for key function

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:

Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission
(870) 534-4200

Residential Life
(870) 575-8079

Developmental Disabilities
(870) 534-4200

Student Accounts
(870) 575-8286

Division of Services for the Blind
(870) 534-4200

Arkansas Rehabilitation Services
(870) 534-2404

Academic Affairs
(870) 575-8487

Office of Deaf and Hearing
(870) 534-2993

Office of Financial Aid
(870) 575-8302

Disability Services Office (UAPB)
(870) 575-8089
(870) 575-8552

Disability Services Office Hours:
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Monday – Friday

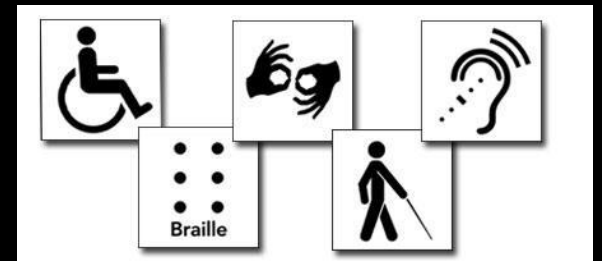
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