SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Following guidelines given by the State University of New York and based on the federal laws, Section 504 of the 1974 Rehabilitation Act, and the Americans With Disabilities Act, Suffolk County Community College offers services and accommodations to students with documented disabilities.

Documentation of Disability

Students who request disability services or accommodations must submit proof of their disability and supporting documentation from a physician, appropriate health care provider, school, or rehabilitation agency such as Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities (VESID) or the Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped (CBVH). All documentation should include the following information:

- Diagnosis
- Nature of disability/limitations
- Expected duration of disability
- Statement of expected barriers/problems in a college environment
- Recommended accommodations and services

Note that documentation from a school district must include a Psycho-Educational Evaluation and an Individual Education Plan (IEP). In those cases where an IEP is submitted, please be aware that it must include testing modifications.

At the time the student applies for admission, all documentation should be sent directly to the Disability Services Office at the campus you plan to attend.

Services Available for Documented Needs

The student may qualify for:

1. Pre-admission information and interviews
2. Individualized advisement and scheduling of classes for entering freshmen
3. Interpreters for deaf students, readers/writers for tests, notetakers for classes (special carbonized paper available to students requiring notetakers)
4. Alternate test-taking conditions and special seating arrangements
5. Specialized equipment available, e.g., Kurzweil Personal Reader, Reader-Scanner and Optelec
6. Referral to campus learning centers and available departmental tutoring services
7. Counseling for personal concerns including career goal clarification
8. Liaison with community provider agencies
9. Referral to the campus office for job placement upon completion of degree or certification

Typical Services and Accommodations

- Priority Scheduling
- Special Testing Conditions
- Tape Recorded Classes
- Use of a Calculator
- Notetakers
- Interpreters/Signers
- Special Seating Arrangements
- Use of a Scribe
- Spell Checker

Adaptive Equipment

- Zoom Text
- Adjustable Tables
- Magnifiers
- Dragon Naturally Speaking
- Kurzweil 1000/3000
- JAWS for Windows

Questions and Assistance

Office of Disabilities Services
Ammerman Campus, Ammerman Building, A202
Phone: 631-451-4045
TTY: 631-451-4041
FAX: 631-451-4473

Disability Services/Student Success Center
Eastern Campus, Peconic Building, P122
Phone: 631-548-2524
TTY: 61-548-2699
FAX: 61-548-3613

Special Services/Counseling Office
Michael J. Grant Campus, Caumsett Hall, H20
Phone: 631-851-6250
TTY: 631-851-6255
FAX: 631-851-6330