

STUDENTS' FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Should I complete the ADA Disclosure & Accommodations Request application?

Yes. If you are a student who is seeking services and/or accommodations for the first time the ARC application should be completed.

2. Will disclosure of a disability and registration with ARC become part of my permanent transcript?

No. Disability-related information is confidential and kept on file with ARC.

3. Do I need to register with ARC every semester?

No. Once you have completed the registration process, you do not need to re-register. How students must request their accommodation letter each term.

4. How will my professors find out about my accommodations?

After completing the registration process, in order to use any accommodations, it is the student's responsibility to request their accommodations at the beginning of each term. ARC will then send out 504 Accommodation Letters to each instructor upon receipt of student's request.

5. Are accommodations retroactive?

No. Accommodations begin when your instructors have received your electronic 504 accommodation letter once you have requested ARC to send to each instructor by the ARC Directors.

6. Do I have to disclose my disability to my instructors?

No. Individuals are not required to share medical information (i.e. diagnosis, medical documentation) with instructors. Share whatever you feel comfortable sharing that will help faculty understand your access needs. Individuals seeking reasonable accommodations in a particular course will need to request their 504 Accommodation Letter through the ARC Directors.

7. If I had accommodations in high school will they automatically transfer to college?

Not necessarily. Students who were eligible for services in high school may not necessarily be eligible for services or accommodations at the postsecondary level, as different laws with different definitions apply.

8. What do I do if I have a temporary disability such as a broken arm or leg?

Students are encouraged to speak with their individual instructors to see what arrangements can be made within the classroom. If necessary, the ARC can collaborate with students and their instructors to problem solve solutions to access issues caused by injury or temporary conditions. Accommodations will be determined based on the needs outlined in documentation.

9. I haven't been diagnosed; I don't know if I have a disability; I want to get tested for a learning disability, how do I do that?

Contact ARC to schedule a meeting (with ARC Directors) to discuss your concerns or visit the office, located on the second floor of Hege Library. The Directors can provide information for testing evaluation and ideas for testing in Greensboro or at home.

10. Can I receive accommodations for my online classes?

Yes, a student with a qualifying disability who has registered with the ARC may be entitled to accommodations for online course work. Students must first register with the ARC and complete an intake interview with the ARC Director.

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