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## Accessing Rhodes: Student Disability Services

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# ACCESSING RHODES

## Student Disability Services



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[rhodes.edu/disability](http://rhodes.edu/disability)

# Services

## for Students with Disabilities

### APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Students who desire any type of accommodation based on a diagnosed disability should follow the steps below. All accommodation requests must be submitted in a timely manner.

#### Step 1

Contact SDS to discuss accommodation needs and specific barriers to academic inclusion.

#### Step 2

Provide current, comprehensive medical and/or psychoeducational documentation of the disability from a qualified professional. Contact SDS for documentation guidelines.

#### Step 3

Once all appropriate documentation has been reviewed, SDS will schedule an appointment with the student to develop an individualized accommodation plan.

#### Step 4

At the beginning of each semester, the student will discuss their Course Accessibility Forms with each professor. These forms must be signed by both student and professor and one copy returned to SDS.



### CAMPUS RESOURCES

Students are encouraged to take advantage of the following support resources available to ALL Rhodes students.


- ADHD Coaching—free weekly group sessions or private one-on-one sessions, for an additional fee, with a trained professional.
- Academic Support Services—individual assistance, workshops, resources, and peer coaching focused on time management, organizational skills, and learning.
- Mathematics and Computer Science Support Center—tutoring and workshop support for those enrolled in introductory mathematics and computer science courses.
- Writing Center—assistance with written assignments and skill development.
- Peer Tutors—available for many introductory courses on a walk-in basis, free of charge.
- Career Services—individual career counseling and assistance with self-assessment, career exploration, and career decision-making.
- Counseling Services—short-term, confidential counseling by a trained professional, free of charge.
- After Hours Crisis Hotline—emergency counseling services outside of regular office hours, offered 24/7 at 901-843-3128.
- Lynx Cart Service—complimentary intra-campus transportation. Contact Campus Safety at 901-843-3880.
- Campus Map with Accessibility Guide—detailed version of campus map outlining all accessible campus routes, building entrances restroom locations, and parking spaces. Contact SDS for more information or visit [rhodes.edu/disability](http://rhodes.edu/disability).

### ACCOMMODATIONS

Reasonable accommodations are individualized and based on the nature of the documented disability and the requirements of specific courses. Accommodations are designed to meet the needs of students without fundamentally altering the nature of the college's instructional programs. Below are examples of commonly requested accommodations.

- Extended time on exams
- Testing in a distraction-limited environment
- Use of computer for in-class written work
- Preferential classroom seating
- Permission to record lectures to supplement note-taking
- Assistive technology
- Reduced course load with full-time status
- Housing access accommodations





Student Disability Services (SDS) views disability as an integral part of diversity at Rhodes College. Through collaboration with students, faculty, and staff, we ensure students with disabilities experience access and inclusion in educational programs through accommodations and services.

In 2016-17, 14% of Rhodes students were registered with SDS. This population included students with a variety of documented conditions.

- Learning and Attentional Disorders
- Psychiatric Impairments
- Chronic Health Impairments
- Mobility Impairments
- Sensory Impairments
- Traumatic Brain Injuries
- Temporary Impairments

In accordance with the provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, SDS determines and provides reasonable accommodations on a case-by-case basis for otherwise qualified students who have demonstrated a need for these services.

**All accommodation requests are the responsibility of the student.**

The chart below outlines the differences between high school and college.

	K-12	Post-Secondary
<b>Goal:</b>	Success	Equal Access
<b>Responsible Party:</b>	School System	Adult Student
<b>Primary Advocate:</b>	Parent or Surrogate	Adult Student



**For additional information about services for students with disabilities at Rhodes College, contact:**

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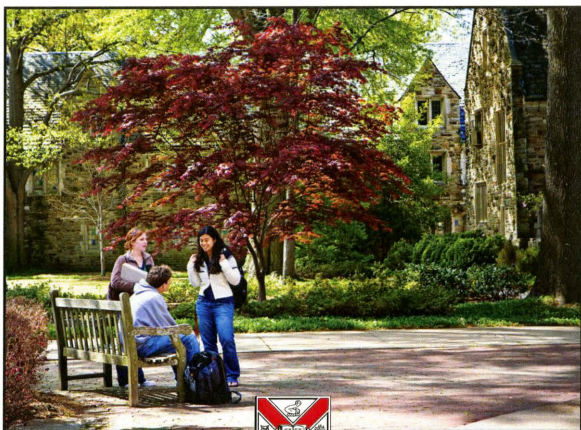
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