

DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES

Westminster College is committed to providing services and support for students with physical, psychological, visual, hearing or learning disabilities as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. All students who seek accommodations for diagnosed disabilities should contact the director of the Office of Disability Support Services (DSS) for further information. Signed comprehensive medical documentation and/or test evaluations that indicate the nature of the disability and appropriate professional recommendations is required. Guidelines for the documentation can be obtained from the DSS office.

The DSS director will review the documentation, determine if the student is eligible for services, and then coordinate the accommodations, auxiliary aids, academic support, and/or referrals as deemed appropriate, necessary, and within the current resources of the College.

For information regarding civil rights or grievance procedures, contact Dr. Neal Edman, Dean of Student Affairs.

ACCOMMODATIONS AND ASSISTANCE

Depending on the documented need of the student, examples of typical services include:

- Academic counseling
- Accessibility planning
- Accommodations for taking exams
- Advocacy for disability issues
- Assistive technology resources
- Coordination with other programs
- Documentation for handicap parking
- Information concerning campus accessibility
- Interpreter service
- Peer tutoring
- Procurement of class notes
- Readers for text books or exams
- Referrals to other services
- Other services or programs as the College's resources allow and are deemed necessary or helpful.

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students at Westminster College have the right to:

- Equal access to courses, programs, services, jobs, activities, and facilities;
- Equal opportunity to work and learn, and receive reasonable accommodations.

Students receiving support from the Westminster Office of Disability Support Services have the responsibility to:

- Meet qualifications and maintain essential institutional standards for courses, program, services, jobs, activities, and facilities;
- Be proactive and self-directed when needing an accommodation;
- Demonstrate and/or document (from an appropriate professional) how the disability limits his or her participation in courses, programs, services, jobs, activities, and facilities.
- Maintain good communication with the Office of Disability Support Services and other Westminster College personnel as indicated in the student's individualized accommodation plan.

For further assistance or for documentation forms, contact:

Mr. Corey J. Shaw, M.S./CAS, NCSP
Director of Disability Support Services
209 Thompson-Clark Hall
Westminster College
New Wilmington, PA 16172
Phone 724-946-7192, Fax 724-946-6140
shawcj@westminster.edu

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION POLICY

Westminster College does not discriminate, and will not tolerate discrimination, on the basis of race, color, national origin, ethnic origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, or handicap or disability as those terms are defined under applicable law, in the administration of any of its educational programs, activities, or with respect to admissions and employment. In its employment practices, the College may consider the individual's support of the philosophy and purposes of Westminster as stated in the Undergraduate Catalog. Otherwise, Westminster does not discriminate, and will not tolerate discrimination, on the basis of religion or creed.

Student Affairs Office
Westminster College
New Wilmington, PA 16172-0001
Phone: 724-946-7110



WESTMINSTER DIRECTORY

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

724-946-7122

ADMISSIONS

724-946-7100

CHAPEL OFFICE

724-946-7115

COUNSELING SERVICES AND HEALTH CENTER

724-946-7927 or 7928

DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES

724-946-7192

DIVERSITY SERVICES OFFICE

724-946-6178

LEARNING CENTER

724-946-6700

RESIDENCE LIFE

724-946-7110

STUDENT AFFAIRS OFFICE

724-946-7110

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

OFFICE OF DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES



Founded 1852...New Wilmington, Pa.

New Wilmington, PA 16172-0001

www.westminster.edu