

Disability Services & Programs For Students Orientation



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REDWOODS

DSPS Mission

- Eliminate educational barriers unique to students with disabilities
- Provide learning support and pathways to success
- Empower self-advocacy
- Ensure equity, equal rights, and access under the law.

PURPOSE

The **DSPS Department** was established to more fully accommodate the academic and service needs of students with disabilities.

Student participation in the program is voluntary, and all information is kept confidential.

DISABILITY RELATED LAWS

DSPS provides services and programs for students with disabilities in compliance with both:

- *Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973*
- the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

SERVICES AND ACCOMMODATIONS

The DSPS program offers many services for students with disabilities.

Reasonable Accommodations provide access to education in a timely manner without changing the fundamental elements of the course.

A list of most common services, accommodations, and special equipment is available on the

DSPS website.

<https://www.redwoods.edu/dsps>

STEPS TO ACCESSING SERVICES

1. Enroll in College of the Redwoods, receive student ID#
2. Submit completed DSPS application
3. Review the orientation and complete the "Orientation Questions"
4. Voter preference form (DSPS can assist with voter registration)
5. Release of Information for the licensed professional who can verify the disability (doctor, psychiatrist, therapist, or school) AND/OR documentation of disability to the DSPS office
6. DSPS will contact the licensed professional or school and obtain verification
7. DSPS will contact the student for intake appointment

DISABILITY CATEGORIES

A disability is any type of condition that interferes with day to day activities and affects your education.

Some common disabilities are:

- Learning Disability
- Mobility Disability
- "Other" Disability
- Psychological Disability
- Visual Disability
- Acquired Brain Impairment
- ADHD
- Autism
- Deaf and Hard of Hearing
- Intellectual Disability

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

Students must meet with their DSPS Advisor

AT LEAST ONCE A SEMESTER

To review progress toward the student goals and effectiveness of the authorized accommodations.

**ALL STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO COMPLY WITH
THE CR STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT!**



REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS

Reasonable accommodations may include:

- Authorization to tape lectures
- Extended exam time/noise reduced environment
- DSPS van or scooter use
- Alternate Media
- Interpreter services for deaf or hard of hearing

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Accommodations are determined by the

DSPS Advisor based on

functional limitations resulting for the verified disability.

SPECIALIZED CLASSES AND PROGRAMS

- Guidance classes, offered through the LIGHT Center (Learning Integrating Guidance with High Technology).
- Specialized instruction for students with disabilities available, one on one or small group academic support.
- Students enroll through WebAdvisor or by calling the LIGHT center at 707-476-4290.

Guidance 143 – Testing for Learning Disability

Guidance 145 – Applied Study Strategies

Guidance 146 - Applied Study Strategies for English

Guidance 147 - Applied Study Strategies for Math

Guidance 148 - Applied Study Strategies for Science

Alternate Media

Types of alternate media include but, not limited to:

- Braille
- Large Print Media
- Audio Material
- Certain Types of Electronic File
- Video with Closed and Open Captioning



Submit your request EARLY each semester!

SUBMITTING VERIFICATION

Students may be requested to submit additional documentation that will assist in clarifying the services that are most appropriate to their specific disabilities.

Documentation may be submitted electronically or faxed to:

**College of the Redwoods
Disability Services and Programs for Students**

Eureka and KT Fax: 707-476-4188.

Del Norte Fax: 707-464-6867

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE (AP-5140)

In situations where an agreement cannot be reached on the reasonable academic accommodation or service for the student, the Director of DSPS, the faculty member involved in the grievance, and an Academic Accommodations Panel will review the grievance. At this phase, every effort will be made to resolve the matter through the informal process. The panel will include three faculty (at least one from DSPS), one student representative, one administrator and one DSPS staff member. The student still has the right of external appeal to the Office of Civil Rights under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. (AP 5140)

PRIORITY REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

- ✓ Complete CR college orientation
- ✓ Meet with a counselor or advisor to develop a Student Education Plan (SEP) and discuss Math and English.
- ✓ Maintain good academic standing

PRIORITY REGISTRATION FOR CONTINUING STUDENTS

- ✓ Complete at least 50% of your enrolled units
- ✓ Completed less than 100 units & no degree earned
- ✓ Meet with a counselor or advisor to develop an education plan
- ✓ Maintain good academic standing – at least 2.0



NEED HELP WITH YOUR CLASSES?

The **LIGHT Center** provides academic support for most subjects. *Check it out!*

OPEN ENROLLMENT

- Anyone can enroll and start anytime during the semester!
- One-on-One instructional support!

Enroll in the following classes to Develop Study Skills & Strategies

- **Guidance 145**
1-4 units (36, 72, 108 or 144 hours)
- **Guidance 146 – English focus**
1-2 units (36 or 72 hours)
- **Guidance 147 – Math focus**
1-2 units (36 or 72 hours)
- **Guidance 148 – Science focus**
1-2 units (36 or 72 hours)

Test for learning disability

- **Guidance 143**

ADAPTIVE PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Providing courses designed to promote physical activity and lifestyle fitness for students with disabilities.

- Strength with proper body posture
- Cardiovascular Endurance
- Nutritional health
- Balance
- Flexibility



Enroll in PE 90, 98, or 302

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TYPES OF

SUPPORT ANIMALS



COMPARISON	SERVICE DOGS	THERAPY DOGS	EMOTIONAL SUPPORT
 ADA covered: Rights to bring animal into public establishments			
 Needs to tolerate a wide variety of experiences, environments, people			
 May live with their Disabled owners, even if "No Pets" policy in place			
 Primary function is to provide emotional support, through companionship			
 Specifically trained to assist just one person			