DISABILITY ACCESS CENTER

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The Disability Access Center works to ensure that no qualified student, solely by reason of disability, <u>is</u> denied access to, participation <u>in</u>, or the benefits of, any academic program or activity offered by the university.

The office provides:

- · Information about university services to potential and present UW-Platteville students with disabilities
- · Assistance in obtaining reasonable academic accommodations and/or auxiliary aids
- · Assistance in obtaining access to academic services, programs, activities, and facilities
- · Referral to appropriate sources for non-academic accommodations
- · Advocacy for campus and community needs
- Technical assistance to university departments, assisting in identifying accommodations and providing services and responses on a case-by-case basis

To arrange academic accommodations, students with disabilities must request reasonable accommodations; provide the Disability Access Center with sufficient, current disability-related documentation from an appropriate licensed professional; and describe the impact of their disability in an academic setting. The Disability Access Center reviews disability documentation and verifies that the documentation satisfies disability verification guidelines. The student meets with the Disability Access Center staff for an intake to determine reasonable academic accommodations. After the intake process, students receive a VISA (Verified Individualized Services and Accommodations) plan and information about how to implement each of the approved academic accommodations. Students are expected to engage in appropriate and responsible levels of self-advocacy in obtaining and arranging for accommodations or auxiliary aids. There is no cost to students for assistance provided by the Disability Access Center.