

Disability and Academic Accommodations

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Who qualifies?

Students with **permanent** disabilities

Students with **temporary** disabilities

Students with **invisible** disabilities

Students with **visible** disabilities

Any NCNM students, full or part time, may qualify for an accommodation



What qualifies?

Permanent disabilities (e.g., hearing loss, rheumatoid arthritis)

Temporary disabilities (e.g., broken arm from skiing, complications from pregnancy)

Invisible disabilities (e.g., learning disabilities, psychological diagnosis)

Visible disabilities (e.g., use of wheelchair or cane)

The American Disabilities Act identifies any “individual with a disability is a person who has a physical or [psychological] impairment that substantially limits major life activities.”

Source: ADA.gov



How to apply?

Students seeking an accommodation must:

- Schedule an appointment with the Director of Student Life to discuss accommodation process
- Complete the Disability and Academic Accommodation request form
- Supply adequate documentation from a qualified licensed professional giving rationale of accommodation.

The Office of Student Life will make a reasonable effort to process the request in a timely manner but cannot guarantee that an untimely request can be met; untimely requests may result in delay, substitutions or denial of accommodation.



Policies & Procedures

Students have both rights and responsibilities under the ADA and NCNM policies. These include but are not limited to:

- An equal opportunity to attain the same level of education as individuals without disabilities
- Reasonable accommodations that do not fundamentally alter a program/class or lower the academic standards
- Submit adequate documentation, in a timely fashion, when requesting an accommodation
- Meet and maintain NCNM's fundamental academic and technical standards

For the complete NCNM Disability and Academic Accommodation Policy & Procedures please see the Educational Access page on the Student Life website at studentservices.ncnm.edu/student-life

Additional Resources

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NCNM Counseling Center
Appointment Line: 503.552.1780

The City of Portland - Neighborhood Involvement, Accommodation Resources
www.portlandoregon.gov/oni/article/381407