



Disabled Students Program & Services (DSP&S)
West Los Angeles College

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DSP&S Mission Statement

- Disabled Students Program and Services at West Los Angeles College, is designed to provide equal access to educational programs. A variety of programs and services are available to eligible students with disabilities, providing them the opportunity to fully participate in West Los Angeles College's programs and activities through appropriate and reasonable academic accommodations.

DSP&S

- DSP&S provides academic support services to students with verified disabilities who register with DSP&S each semester. Services are determined on a case-by-case basis by a DSP&S professional who in conjunction with the student, identifies which reasonable academic accommodations are appropriate, based upon verification of the disability and the extent of functional limitation(s) caused by the disability.

DSP&S

- California Community College Title 5
 - Funds support services and instructional programs for students with disability in the CA Community Colleges.
- American with Disability Act (ADA) Title II & III
 - Reasonable accommodations
 - Equal access
- Section 504 & 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
 - 504: Prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in programs and activities that receive federal financial assistance
 - 508: Requires federal agencies to make their information and communication Technology accessible to people with disability

DSP&S Student Population

300+ Students



Deaf and Hard of Hearing



Autism



Learning Disability



Vision



Acquired Brain Injury



Mental Health



Intellectual Disability



Mobility/ Physical



ADHD



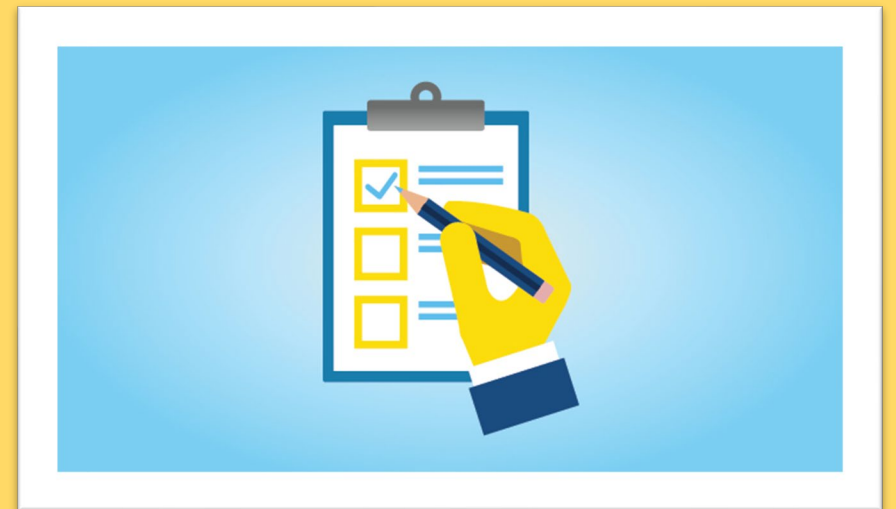
Other

DSP&S Services

- Classroom accommodations for students with physical challenges
- Program planning counseling
- Academic Counseling
- Test proctoring and related accommodations
- ASL interpreters
- Captioners
- Alternate media
- One-on-one tutoring
- Grievance for faculty refusal to Provide Approved Accommodation
- Personal attendant (student provides their own from an agency, i.e. Regional Center)

How to Apply to DSP&S

1. DSP&S Application
2. Verification of disability (VOD)
 - a. IEP, Physician Letter, Regional Center, DOR, VA,...
3. Intake Appointment with a Counselor
 - a. In-Person
 - b. Video
 - c. Phone

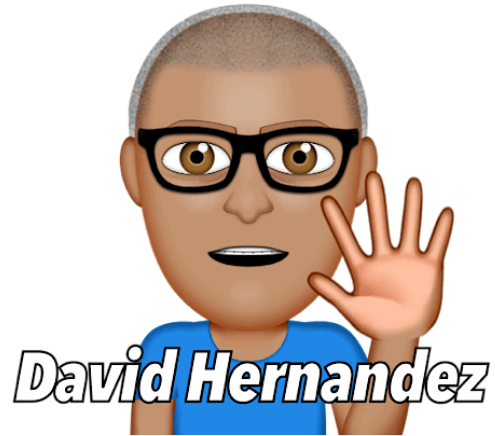


Student's Responsibilities

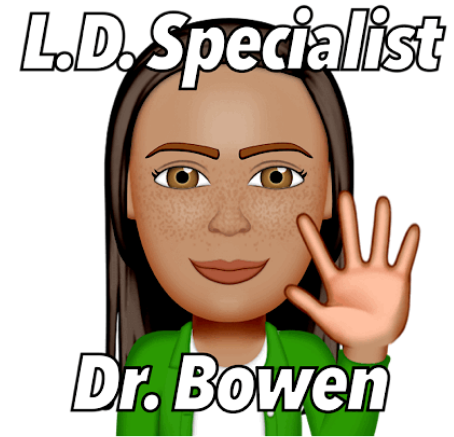
- ✓ Fill out an update every term
- ✓ Request accommodation every term
- ✓ Schedule test proctoring appointments
- ✓ Make appointments to see a counselor
- ✓ Seek academic counseling if struggling in course(s)
- ✓ Communicate with instructor



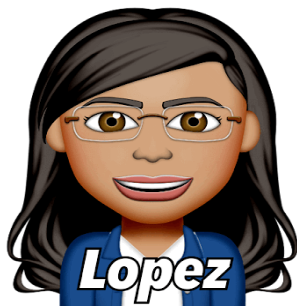
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DSPS Counselor Specialist



Learning Disability Specialist



Special Services Assistant



Senior Sign Language Interpreter



Senior Assistive Technologist



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