

## **DISABILITY SERVICES**

## Academic Resource Center (ARC)

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Eligibility for disability accommodations is based on a combination of disability documentation, functional limitations, and guidelines developed by Marietta College. Students with a documented disability will meet with the Assistant Director of Disability Services to determine eligibility for accommodations on a case-by-case basis. You will need to provide a copy of your IEP, 504 plan, or other disability documentation. Once an Accommodation Plan has been established, it will be sent to your professors. The student must then meet with their professors to discuss which accommodations they would like to use in their class.

Students must re-establish their Accommodation Plan with the Assistant Director of Disability Services at the beginning of each semester and are welcome to continue to meet with the Disability Office for continued support.

### **COMMON ACCOMMODATIONS**

We work hard to tailor your accommodations to your specific needs. Below is a list of some of our most common accommodations:

- · Extended time on exams and guizzes
- Distraction reduced testing environment
- Audio Books
- Voice Recording/Smart Pen
- Kurzweil 3000 text-to-speech program
- Dragon Naturally Speaking speech-to-text program
- Note-taker services

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION**

Differences in the legal mandates between high school and postsecondary education means that accommodations in college are not necessarily duplications of what a student received in high school. In high school, accommodations are provided to ensure the success of the student. In college, accommodations are provided to ensure equal access to an education. Success is the responsibility of the student. You must advocate for yourself in college, but the ARC is here to provide support.

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Disability Services ensures a welcoming and supportive environment with equal access and opportunities to students' educational and campus life endeavors at Marietta College.

The Assistant Director of Disability Services will partner with the student to understand his/her strengths and limitations in order to develop the most comprehensive accommodation plan. The Disability Services office will empower students to achieve their academic goals and promote awareness by educating the Marietta College staff and community.

The Disability Services office will work directly with faculty, staff, and administrators to ensure all appropriate accommodations are provided and comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.

Students are encouraged to contact the Assistant Director of Disability Services in the Academic Resource Center for a confidential appointment to discuss available services and accommodation guidelines.

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