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Other Resources:

Department of Vocational Rehabilitation

wyomingworkforce.org/workers/vr

Services may include, but are not limited to: Eligibility assessment, facilitation of diagnosis and treatment of physical and mental impairments, referral services, and vocational and other training.

Wyoming Services for Independent Living (WSIL)

<http://www.wysil.org/services>

WSIL helps individuals with disabilities live independently by addressing barriers. The Youth Transition Program offers guidance to youth with disabilities as they transition from high school to the next phase of their life.

Wyoming Institute for Disabilities (WIND)

www.uwyo.edu/wind/

The Wyoming Institute for Disabilities (WIND) is an academic unit in the College of Health Sciences and a University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD). WIND works to assist individuals with developmental disabilities, their families, professionals, and University of Wyoming students through education, training, community services, and early intervention.

Wyoming Assistive Technology Resources (WATR)

www.uwyo.edu/wind/watr/

WATR is Wyoming's Assistive Technology Act program and a resource for all assistive technology (AT) needs in Wyoming. AT may be a device or solution that enhances an individual's ability to live, play, or work independently. AT can take the form of a device, tool, or adaptation that supports a person when participating in everyday activities and settings.



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Accessibility and Disability Support Services at Western



*Supporting and empowering students as they strive
for personal, social, and academic success.*

What is a disability?

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) defines a disability as a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.

Who qualifies for disability accommodations?

Some common disabilities that may qualify for accommodations include:

- Learning Disabilities
- Speech Disabilities
- Hearing Impairments
- Visual Impairments
- Physical Disabilities
- Mobility Impairments
- Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)
- Chronic Health Impairments
- Emotional/Psychological Disability
- Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD or ADHD)
- Students with a temporary disability, such as an injury, surgery or concussion



What are accommodations?

College accommodations are supports and services, provided at no cost to eligible students with disabilities to ensure equal access and opportunities to benefit from classes, educational programs, and activities.

Common accommodations include:

- Use of alternative format textbooks, reading and spelling technology
- Extended test times and the use of a private room for exams
- Housing accommodations, such as accessible rooms, single rooms and elevator access.

I am an Outreach student. Can I still qualify for accommodations?

Yes! Outreach and online students are eligible for disability supports. Testing accommodations can be coordinated with internet instructors and through the Outreach team in your area.



How do I apply?

Complete the application located on the Wellbeing & Accessibility page in your student portal OR contact the Accessibility Specialist at **307-382-1806**, wellaccess@westernwyoming.edu

- Students must provide documentation of a disability diagnosis.
- The Accessibility Specialist can request records on the student's behalf, if the student signs a release.
- Students will attend an intake appointment (outreach students can attend a phone intake or request a ZOOM link). The Accessibility Specialist will work with students to determine barriers to access and appropriate accommodations.



Is my disability confidential?

Yes. The Wellbeing & Accessibility office does not disclose a student's disability to instructors or other campus offices. Students may self-disclose. Documentation of a disability is maintained in a confidential file separate from student's educational records.



Who do I contact if I have questions or would like more information?

The Accessibility Specialist, Lyndsey Love can answer student questions. You may reach her by calling **307-382-1806** or e-mailing llove@westernwyoming.edu