WHAT IS A DISABILITY AND WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR SUPPORT?

A disability causes significant limitations to your ability to participate fully in the academic life of the college. If you are an Ivy Tech student with a disability, you may be eligible for support services. If you are diagnosed with, or have a condition similar to, one of the following, please contact us to learn more:

Chronic Illness: Crohn’s disease, kidney disease, cardiac conditions, cancer, diabetes, Lyme disease;

Neurological Conditions: cerebral palsy, acquired brain injury, Tourette’s syndrome, narcolepsy;

Learning Disabilities: impairment of one or more learning processes, including disorders affecting the ability to concentrate;

Psychiatric Illness: bipolar disorder, chronic depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, obsessive compulsive disorder;

Mobility Impairment: spinal cord injury, lower limb amputation, rheumatoid arthritis;

Other: autism spectrum disorders, sensory impairments, attention deficit disorder (ADD), attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).

HOW TO OBTAIN DISABILITY SERVICES

- Set appointment with DSS
- Submit documentation for staff review
- DSS will review your materials with you and help you throughout your years at Ivy Tech.

If you have a condition that limits your ability to participate fully in the life of the college, contact us today (Room 228).

- Cyndi Cates, DSS
  - 3501 N. First Avenue
  - Evansville, In. 47710-3398
  - Phone: 812-429-1386

- Courtney Cooper, DSS Technician
  - 812-492-0525
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FAQs

1. What kind of documentation do I need?
   From poor documentation to excellent, A) An IEP (Individual Education Plan) will get you started;
   B) A signed letter from doctor on doctor letterhead with diagnoses and recommendations; C) Verification form filled out by doctor; OR D) Full psychological exam, especially needed for psychological disabilities such as schizophrenia and/or behavioral issues.

2. What if I don't have any of these documents?
   A) Make a connection with Vocational Rehabilitation at 812-425-1367 (They sometimes pay for an evaluation).
   B) See if your doctor can write a letter about your disabilities.
   C) Provide paperwork showing you are on disability.
   D) Pay a doctor to get an evaluation.

3. What kind of accommodations can I get through disability support? Typical accommodations might include the following: A) Extended time for taking tests; B) Quieter area for taking tests; C) Class notes taken by a classmate; D) Interpreters; and/or E) Help for a temporary disability.