

# Accommodations Glossary

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# Alternative Testing

### Alternative Formatting

Refers to various formats such as Braille, enlarged print, .pdf, .doc, etc. Exams will be formatted according to the need of the student.

### **Breaks**

This accommodation allows students to step away from testing. They are not able to access any materials or electronics during this time. Breaks are monitored and typically taken within DASS-approved accommodation time.

# Computer Usage (Essay Only)

This accommodation allows students to "write" using a computer. Spell check and grammar check is disabled.

## Distraction-reduced Testing Environment

When DASS proctors the quiz/exam, students are placed in a quiet testing space within the DASS offices for testing. We never promise a distraction-free testing environment, as we cannot guarantee this condition.

### Extra Time

Additional time is added to the time frame of a quiz/exam. Sometimes a student provides documentation of a specific learning disability requiring additional extra time in certain areas of study. In these cases, the student is granted that extra time only in those courses covering that kind of material.

- 1.5x = 50% extra time
- 2.0x = 100% extra time (DASS-approved classes only)
- 2.5x = 150% extra time (DASS-approved classes only)
- 3.0x = 300% extra time (DASS-approved classes only)



### II. Classroom

### Accessible Audio-Video Materials

For Audio-Video materials to be accessible, captions must be displayed or easily activated by viewers.

### Accessible Field Trips

This accommodation is for any student in need of accommodations for an academic field trip.

### Accessible Furniture

Some students require accessible furniture such as a rising desk, a chair with lumbar support or a high back, or a chair without arms.

# **Breaks During Class**

Some students require the ability to walk out of class or turn off their cameras for a few moments.

# CART Services/Real-Time Captioning

CART means Communication Access Real-time Translation. This is captioning for live in-person or virtual lectures and events.

CART Services/Real Time Captioning is a professional service that provides real-time translation of the spoken word into English text, which is then streamed over the internet to be displayed on laptops or mobile devices including smartphones and tablets.

### Computer Allowed in Class

Some students are unable to hand-write and therefore will need to take notes on their laptop.

# **Enlarged Class Materials**

Ensure all in-class materials such as PowerPoints, printed handouts, digital handouts, etc. are made accessible in the form of enlarged text.

## Food Allowed in Class

This is a DASS Approved Accommodation for documented medical needs.



## Interpreting

DASS uses a third-party vendor to secure the following interpreting services:

American Sign Language (ASL)- A method of communicating using visual language expressed by hand and face movements.

Tactile American Sign Language- A method of communicating using touch primarily used by individuals who are deafblind.

Pidgin Sign English (PSE)- A combination of ASL and English.

### Lecture Recording

This accommodation allows students to audio record the lecture for their own academic learning purposes only.

### Listening Device

The student uses specialized equipment during class.

### Personal Assistant with Student

The personal assistant will be present to provide direct services to the student and will not participate directly in class activities.

## **Preferential Seating**

The student has been approved to have preferred seating to accommodate their disability within the classroom.

### Separate Desk and Chair

The classroom will have designated accessible furniture for ADA usage only.

### Service Animal with Student

The student has requested that professors be informed that a service animal will be attending classes with the student. A service animal is trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability. A service animal is not a pet and should not be touched or distracted.

Note: This does not include Emotional Support Animals



### III. Electronic Text – Alternate Media

### Braille

This is a form of written language for individuals who are visually impaired. Characters are represented by patterns of raised dots and read by the fingertips.

## **Enlarged Class Materials (Print)**

Enlarged text materials and images for students with low vision.

### E-Text

This is a general term for documents that can be read in digital form.

# IV. Notetaking Services

### Peer Note Taker

Peer notetakers are hired student assistants that supplement or provide notes for those who are unable to take notes during class.

# **Note Taking Express**

A CSU-approved contracted professional note-taking service, Note Taking Express (NTE). NTE is an app and desktop software that allows students to receive notes from professional note-takers.

# Note Taking Express Live

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