



# The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

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Student Accessibility Services (SAS) ensures that qualified students with disabilities are able to participate in the full range of college experiences. In addition, SAS supports students who are seeking pregnancy, pregnancy-related, or parenting accommodations. Our goal is to facilitate students' equal access to all university programs and experiences while fostering independence and self-advocacy. In addition, we work to promote an environment that is free of physical and attitudinal barriers.

## REQUESTING ACCOMMODATIONS AND RELATED SERVICES

Interested students should contact Student Accessibility Services for an appointment. We request that students provide documentation from a qualified professional which is related to their requests for accommodation. Students with temporary conditions, such as broken bones and recent surgeries, may also request accommodations.

## WHAT IS A DISABILITY?

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) defines disability as a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities. Some examples of disabilities are learning (dyslexia, etc.), psychological (PTSD, depression, etc.), physical, hearing, visual, speech and other health impairments.

## SUPPORTS

Student Accessibility Services provides accommodations and related services, including:

- Extended time on tests
- Distraction-reduced testing
- Other testing accommodations
- Alternate format textbooks
- Sign language interpreting
- Assistive technology
- Auxiliary aids
- Classroom furniture arrangements

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