



## Office of Disability Services

### Mission

Our mission is to provide services which ensure equal access for all qualified students at Shelton State Community College. The Office of Disability Services provides guidance for campus faculty and staff to ensure federal obligations under the American with Disabilities Act are followed.

### Mission Statement

The Office of Disability Services will make a good faith effort to proactively provide reasonable accommodations designed to ensure no qualified student with a disability is denied equal access to, participation in, or benefit of the programs and activities of Shelton State Community College. It is also our goal to maximize student success, self-advocacy, and independence in an accessible academic environment.

### Goals

Students who receive accommodations from the Office of Disability Services will be given the following:

- Equal access to and a working knowledge of appropriate accommodations and support services,
- Equal access to College facilities and programs by the removal of barriers and installation of adaptive measures necessary throughout the campus,
- Advocacy services by the ODS staff as necessary and as appropriate,
- Use of assistive technology to increase academic independence, and
- Services tailored to assist in remaining eligible for future semesters at Shelton State Community College.

The Office of Disability Services will increase faculty and staff understanding of the various needs of students with disabilities via email and campus-wide dissemination of information.

### Grievances

If a student disagrees with the final decision of the Disability Services Director or with a faculty member about accommodations, the Dean of Student Services should be contacted to determine if an informal resolution may be achieved.