

# College For Students With Disabilities: We Do Belong

College can be a challenging experience for anyone, but it can be especially difficult for students with disabilities.



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They may face barriers to accessing education, such as lack of accommodations, negative attitudes, and social isolation.

However, there are many colleges and universities that are committed to providing equal access to education for students with disabilities. These colleges offer a variety of services and supports to help students succeed, such as academic accommodations, disability counseling, and peer support groups.

Students with disabilities who attend these colleges can find a welcoming and supportive environment where they can learn and grow.

## **What to Look for in a College**

When choosing a college, students with disabilities should look for schools that have a strong commitment to accessibility and inclusion.

Here are some things to consider:

- Does the college have a disability services office?
- What accommodations does the college offer?
- What is the college's policy on academic accommodations?
- Does the college have any programs or services for students with disabilities?
- What is the college's social environment like for students with disabilities?

### **Services and Supports for Students with Disabilities**

Colleges and universities offer a variety of services and supports to help students with disabilities succeed.

These services may include:

- Academic accommodations, such as extended time on tests, note-taking assistance, and assistive technology.
- Disability counseling, which can provide support and guidance to students with disabilities.
- Peer support groups, which can provide a sense of community and belonging for students with disabilities.

- College counseling, which can help students with disabilities adjust to college life and develop strategies for success.

## **The College Experience for Students with Disabilities**

College can be a transformative experience for students with disabilities.

It can be a time of growth and discovery, where students can learn new skills, make new friends, and develop a sense of independence.

For students with disabilities, college can also be a time of challenges.

They may need to advocate for their needs, deal with negative attitudes, and overcome barriers to access.

However, with the right supports and services, students with disabilities can succeed in college and achieve their goals.

## **We Do Belong**

Students with disabilities belong in college.

They have the same right to access education as anyone else.

Colleges and universities have a responsibility to provide equal access to education for all students, regardless of their ability.

By providing the right services and supports, colleges and universities can help students with disabilities succeed in college and reach their full potential.



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