

DASS Disability Accommodations & Success Strategies

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Student Survey




Next time you log into DASS Link, you will be directed to take a survey *before* you access your home page.


With only 2 questions, your feedback will be very valuable for future improvements of services to you and others with disabilities.


Please comment on your experience with the physical and virtual accessibility of the campus. **What is working for you? What is a barrier for you?**

Someone may experience barriers to the campus, student services, the library, as well as working with professors, course material, and testing both virtually and physically. *We'll follow up with you, if needed!*

Jan Term Letters

 If you are enrolled for Jan Term 2021, due to the fast-paced mini-term, it is important to have your letters and accommodations in place sooner than later.

 Classes will begin on **January 7th** and having your letters requested and delivered ahead of time will help you stay on track. A few courses (language courses and Organic Chemistry 1) take place over an extended schedule beginning **December 17**.

 A semester request should be submitted very early to ensure it can be processed before the holiday break when offices are closed from December 21st until January 3rd, and then **FOLLOW UP** with your professor to discuss implementing the accommodations.

Finals Reminder

NOW is the time to check the dates of your final exams. Your final exam should be taken when *your class* is scheduled to test. Usually the test date is in your instructors syllabus. The university's fall finals schedule can be located on the [Registrar's website](#).

YOU should have contacted your professors to confirm your testing accommodations and any time conflicts you might have. Don't expect your professor to remember that you are using your accommodations. It is your **Responsibility** to contact them well before your test date. (Dedman Law students should contact Dean Yeager's office or Kim Grace).

Final Exams will be held beginning

December 10th through December 16th

Academic Services available to you as you finish your semester

A-LEC Open for study space and business
Sunday 3pm to 8pm
Monday to Thursday 8:30-8 pm
Friday 8:30-5 pm

A-LEC Tutoring (virtual only via zoom)
Learn more at smu.edu/tutoring

A-LEC Writing Center through December 11th.
Appointments available 10-5 pm. (virtual)
December 14th—16th Drop-in consultations.
Learn more at smu.edu/writingcenter



Spring Letters

Spring 2021 classes begin January 25th

The best time to submit a semester request is 2 weeks before classes begin. This allows for any class changes that may have been made (by you) so your letter will be up to date.

Once you are notified your letter has been shared with your professors successfully through DASS Link, *you should make plans to meet with them during office hours* (skipping this step means your accommodations are NOT finalized). Ideally, this happens the first two weeks of classes. Document the plans you two make in writing so there is no confusion later.

