Navigating Accommodations and Classroom Expectations

How to succeed in the academic environment.
Introduction

Welcome to Disability Services at Jackson State University!

This guide is for scholars who have completed their request for accommodations and provides valuable information on how to make the most of your accommodations and succeed academically. We will explore strategies for effective communication, self-advocacy, and collaboration with instructors and peers. By the end of this presentation, you will have the tools to navigate your academic journey confidently and create an inclusive learning environment. So let's dive in together and unlock your potential for success!

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Importance of Accommodations

Accommodations are crucial in ensuring equal access to education for students with disabilities. They level the playing field by removing barriers and providing necessary support. By embracing accommodations, students can fully engage in their studies, showcase their abilities, and thrive academically. Accommodations are not a sign of weakness, but rather a tool for empowerment, allowing students to showcase their true potential.
Expectations in the classroom

In the classroom, it is essential for all students, including those with disabilities, to attend and actively participate. Students should recognize that their disability should not hinder their engagement or involvement in academic activities. By attending class, actively participating in discussions, and contributing to group work, students with disabilities can fully embrace the learning experience and make valuable contributions to the academic community.
Utilizing accommodations provided by the Disability Services Department is essential for students with disabilities to have equal access to education. By familiarizing themselves with their specific accommodations and understanding how they apply in different academic settings, students can maximize their learning experience. In addition, students need to communicate with their instructors about their accommodations and any concerns they may have, ensuring they receive the necessary support to succeed academically.
Reaching out for assistance

If students require additional support, or have questions regarding their accommodations, it is important to contact the Disability Services Department. The department provides assistance and guidance to students with disabilities. Students can contact the department through in-person visits, email, or phone, to ensure timely and effective support for their specific needs.
How to contact the department

To contact the Disability Services Department, you can email via adaservices@jsums.edu or call 601-979-3704. Please allow a response time of 48-72 hours for a Disability Services team member to get back to you and provide assistance with any concerns or inquiries. Your patience is appreciated as we strive to support your needs effectively.