The Disability Resource Center

Resources for Graduate Students

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DRC Mission:

Ensuring equal educational access to the programs of UC Santa Cruz

Both for Grads and Undergrads
DRC Services for Grad Students

• Many types of accommodations
  – Extended exam time, notetaker, books in audio, part-time status, extension to normative time – all based on impact and documentation.

• Access advising
  – Consult to manage access barriers, communication around disability related needs
Electronic Access for Grads and students in TA course sections

• Print Related Disabilities
  – Blind students
  – Students with LD
  – The DRC works behind the scenes to convert text books

• Deaf and hard of hearing students
  – Youtube captions
  – Real-time lecture captioning
  – Film captioning
Getting Started with the DRC

1. Call our office for an appointment
2. Meet with a DRC Service Coordinator
3. Provide diagnostic information
4. The DRC will provide you with a letter

It’s that easy!
Universal Design for Instruction

• Well designed courses reduce the need to remove barriers (accommodate).
  – Examples:
    – Clean document scans sent ahead of time, captions on videos (Youtube), posting materials in accessible formats

• Results:
  – Immediate and equal access for all students
  – Welcoming environment
  – Monetary savings to the university
  – Respect for human dignity
DRC Information

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