

Americans with Disabilities Act

Graduate Academic Accommodations Policy:

While all students are expected to meet the minimum standards for completion of their course as established by the instructor, students with disabilities may require academic accommodations. All such students in Point Loma Nazarene University graduate-level programs are requested to discuss options with the program director (department chair) during the first two weeks of class or as in a soon as practicable. Each Department, School or Regional Center will have a non-faculty administrator designated to assist the student in filing documentation in a timely manner. The admissions counselor and/or program administrative assistant will have a list of persons designated to assist the student. This policy assists the university in its commitment to full compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act. Section 504 (a) prohibits discrimination against students with special needs and guarantees all qualified students equal access to and benefits of PLNU programs and activities. Once the student files documentation, the student may contact his/her instructors to discuss reasonable and appropriate accommodations to meet the individual learning needs of the student.

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Academic Accommodations Institutional Resources:

Students should contact their Program Director or Academic Advisor in order to develop an academic plan for their graduate coursework. Your Academic Advisor will work with you as your advocate with your faculty. Other resources available to graduate students:

http://www.pointloma.edu/AcademicAdvising/Disability_Resource_Center.htm

Link to Web resources for students and faculty

Graduate programs will follow the American Psychological Association guidelines regarding the provision of services and accommodations to students with disabilities under ADA and Section 504 in the university setting. Those guidelines should be included in a student handbook.

<http://www.apa.org/pi/disability/resource/disabledstudents.pdf>

PLNU Faculty resources

The School of Education Special Education faculty will serve to assist faculty and students.

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