the Office of Disability Services (ODS) at Texas State University is dedicated to supporting the lives of students with disabilities who seek the goal of higher education. Because each individual’s situation is unique, the ODS asks that any interested student meet with office staff. Since documentation requirements vary by situation, the ODS staff member will discuss documentation during the initial consultation, but no student should delay out of concern for not having appropriate paperwork.

Texas State University does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the recruitment and admission of students though students with disabilities must meet the same admission requirements as all other prospective students. A student whose educational and/or personal goals for success have been negatively impacted due to disability-based reasons may wish to address this in the supplemental essay portion of the admission application. Students needing sign language or oral interpreting services for admissions counseling, disability counseling or academic advising should contact ODS one week prior to the event to ensure interpreter availability.

Students with disabilities may be entitled to financial assistance from the Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services (DARS).

Texas State University has established a grievance procedure for the prompt and equitable resolution of complaints related to illegal discrimination on the basis of disability. This grievance procedure is described in UPPS No. 04.04.46 (http://www.txstate.edu/effective/UPPS/UPPS-04-04-46.HTML), Prohibition of Discrimination or Harassment. A copy is available in the university library, the office of Disability Services and most other university offices. Students who have concerns or complaints should contact the ODS Director at 512-245-3451 or the university Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator at 512-245-2278.