

Ensuring Access and Equity for Disabled Students

Mission of the CAE

The mission of the Center for Accessible Education (CAE) is to create an accessible, inclusive, and supportive learning environment.

Through a collaborative effort with faculty, staff, and students, the CAE facilitates academic accommodations, disability advocacy, and serves as an educational resource for the campus community.

What is the Center for Accessible Education (CAE)?

- The CAE facilitates accommodations for regularly enrolled, matriculating disabled students.
 - Legal mandates (ADA, Section 504)
- Accommodations are designed to remove barriers in the academic/housing/university environment that cause an inequitable experience.
 - Accommodations **do NOT** reduce academic rigor or remove course requirements or expectations.
- Embracing disability is diversity

The Purpose of the Disability Services Office

No qualified individual with a disability shall, by reason of such disability, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of services, programs, or activities of a public entity, or be subjected to discrimination by any such entity.

Americans with Disabilities Act, §12132

CAE Student Breakdown



Category	2009-2010	2018-2019	2019-2020	2022-2023
Learning Disability	172	224	213	173
ADD/ADHD	355	537	672	914
Psychological Disability	309	1161	1151	1126
Deaf	15	8	8	41
Hard-of-Hearing	12	40	30	
Blind/Low Vision	28	40	51	42
Mobility	242	360	183	223
Other Functional	376	762	554	581
Acquired Brain Injury	20	69	40	51
Autism Spectrum		45	55	73
Speech/Other Comm. Disability		2	1	2
Total	1,529	3,544	2,958	3226





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