

The Office of Disability Services (ODS)

At Rutgers, physical and individual disabilities are not a deterrent to an advanced degree. With resources such as note taking assistance, assistive technology, and accessible housing options, all Rutgers students, faculty, staff, and visitors have access to services and facilities to accommodate their needs.

Quick Links:

- [The Office of Disability Services](#)
- [The School of Graduate Studies Student Support](#)
- [Links for Faculty and Staff](#)

What Does ODS Provide?

The Office of Disability Services provides reasonable academic accommodations for students with disabilities. Their team strives to provide the necessary tools, resources and support for individuals with disabilities to become responsible decision-makers and self-advocates in charge of their own future. We are dedicated to providing information and resources necessary for students to pursue their academic, personal and professional goals while at Rutgers. In addition, we are committed to working with administrators, faculty, staff and students to cultivate an awareness of creating an inclusive environment for all individuals.

FALL 2021 ODS OPERATING STATUS:

Rutgers-New Brunswick - Staff members are working on a hybrid schedule. The office will be open Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm and you can reach us by phone until 5:00 pm. Please call 848-202-3111 or email dsoffice@echo.rutgers.edu for questions or to make an appointment. Due to spacing restrictions, we strongly encourage you to make an appointment in advance.

The ODS exam office is open Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-4:00 pm and Sunday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm.

Links for ODS Policies, Guidelines and Services:

- [Registration](#)
 - Students with a documented disability looking to register for reasonable accommodations and services at Rutgers University
- [Letter of Accommodation \(LOA\)](#)
 - A Letter of Accommodations (LOA) is a document provided by the Office of Disability Services that explains to faculty the reasonable accommodations to be provided to a student
- [Exam Accommodations](#)
 - An exam accommodation refers to any approved accommodations which relate to the way a student takes his/her exam.
- [Note Taking Accommodations](#)
 - Students must first be registered with the Office of Disability Services and approved for note-taking accommodations before arrangements can be made for a note-taker
- [AFT and Other Accommodations](#)
 - AFT is the term applied to course materials such as textbooks, electronic documents, exams and other print materials which students with print disabilities need converted into accessible formats. AFT may include but are not limited to: braille, audio, large print and electronic format
- [Remote Learning Information](#)
 - Here are two pages with information about managing your accommodations in an online environment:
 - [How to Receive Accommodations Online](#)
 - [Student FAQs for Online Instruction](#)
 - Here are resources from other departments at Rutgers to assist with online learning:
 - [Rutgers Learning Centers offering Remote Instruction](#)
 - [Technology Resources for Students](#)