

## Mission

The mission of Student Accessibility and Disabilities Services (SADS) at Edgewood College is to be partners in creating an accessible college community where students with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate fully in all aspects of the educational experience.

Through partnership with students, faculty, and staff, we promote students' independence and recognition of a student's ability, not disability.

## Values

- To provide services in a respectful manner, acknowledging that students have rights and responsibilities.
- To promote students' autonomy and management of their own services.
- To promote diversity on the campus.
  - To recognize a student's rights to privacy and confidentiality.
- To provide information in accessible formats to enable students to make informed decisions.
- Offer services in a timely manner.

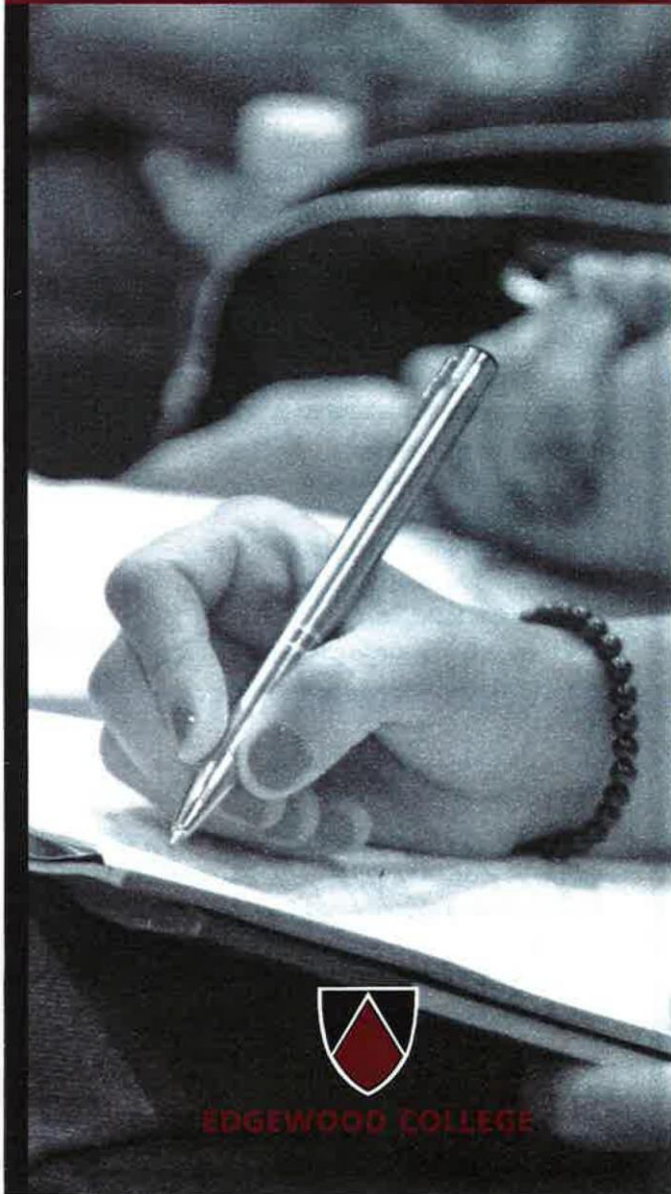


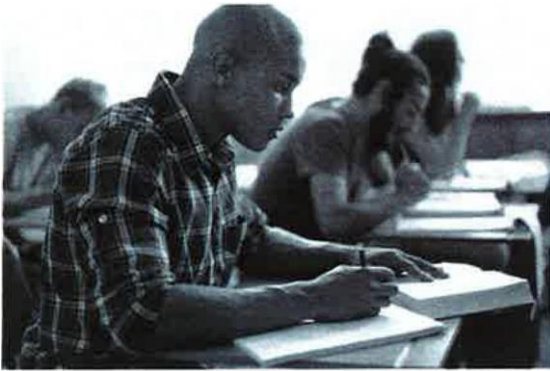
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# Accessibility and Disabilities Services

at Edgewood College





## Accommodations

A reasonable accommodation is a modification or adjustment to a course, program, service, activity, or facility that enables a qualified student with a disability to have an equal opportunity to attain the same level of performance or enjoy equal benefits and privileges as are available to similarly situated students without disabilities. Some examples of Accommodations available to qualified Edgewood Students could include:

- Testing Accommodations
- Note Taking Support
- Alternative Text Formats
- Housing Accommodations
- Assistive Technology
- Foreign Language Course Substitutions
- CART/Sign Language Interpreters

## Services

In addition to accommodations, SADS also provides a variety of services to students to help them transition to and succeed at Edgewood College. Those services include:

- Assistive Technology training
- Academic Support and Coaching



## Documentation Guidelines

The Department of Student Accessibility and Disabilities Services (SADS) at Edgewood College recognizes that barriers exist and can create hardship for students with regard to having and presenting third party disability documentation. Thus, SADS encourages students to meet with the Director of SADS without the need for external documentation in hand at the time of the first conversation. Determinations on individual documentation needs will be made during the initial meeting with the student, which may or may not involve the need to provide additional documentation. Our first priority is to get to know each student individually.

With that said, any documentation information students can readily share during the first meeting, such as IEP/504 Plans, recent evaluations, letters from doctors or psychologists, hospital reports, etc., is helpful. We will use all information we can obtain through conversation and paperwork to coordinate reasonable accommodations with the student. Providing as much information as possible during the first meeting can save the need for repeat trips to the SADS office.

This Policy has been adapted from the Disability Resource Center at Eastern Michigan University



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