

Accessibility Services Center

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Expectations for the Use of a Computer in Classroom Accommodation

Accommodation Description: Use of a computer in class is an accommodation that allows students with barriers related to writing and notetaking to have access to a computer for notetaking and assignment completion.

When approved for the use of a computer during class the student agrees that computer usage is limited to the specific programs and applications that are necessary for class participation and assignment completion. A student found violating that agreement could stand to lose access to the accommodation.

Things to remember:

- **Be open.** Allow professor to see computer and what programs/applications are being accessed in class. Actively engage in class assignments and discussions so that there are no questions as to how the computer is being used. Understand that this process is interactive and can sometimes require dialogue between the student and the professor regarding the computer usage
- **Communicate.** Overall, open, timely and effective communication with professors and Accessibility Services greatly enhances the utility of this accommodation. To the greatest extent you are comfortable, be willing to have a conversation with professors about this accommodation and your reasons for using it. While you do not have to disclose specific medical information, nor do you have to provide additional medical documentation, the more knowledge they have might give them a better understanding of your situation and help them problem-solve with you how best to use your accommodation.
- **Limitations.** The professor will need to reflect upon the core competencies and fundamental elements of the class to determine if/how this accommodation can be facilitated. The student will still be expected to display content mastery, and both the student and the professor will need to work together to discover ways for this to happen. This accommodation may not be reasonable in all classes.