

## COLLEGE CAMPUS ACCESSIBILITY CHECKLIST

Use this comprehensive checklist when researching or visiting a college or university to make sure it's the perfect choice for you and your mobility and accessibility needs.

### Main Buildings Accessibility

- Ramps and elevators are available and updated in all the main buildings and residence halls
- Campus accommodates individuals with mobility challenges and my needs
- Handicap parking easily accessible by main buildings for classes, eating and entertainment

### Transportation

- A bus or transit system is available and accommodates my needs
- Cars, golf carts or scooters can be rented for specific uses I may have (getting to and from doctors' appointments, filling prescriptions, etc.)
- Shuttle services or transportation alternatives that meet my disability needs are available and easy to access

### Classroom Accessibility

- Classrooms are equipped with assistive technology I need
- Classrooms can be modified based on my needs
- My classroom buildings are easily accessible and close to my living residence
- Once in the building, I can easily get to my classes
- The college or university can and is willing to accommodate my access needs within the classrooms I will be in for my entire college experience

### Housing & Cafeterias

- Dorms are accessible with features like ramps, elevators, and accessible bathrooms
- Shower facilities are manageable for me: close to dorm room, walk-in or shower bars, able to reach the shower head and faucet
- Accessible housing is available to accommodate my needs for all four years of attendance (freshmen through senior housing options)
- The cafeteria and eating areas are accessible to me from my dorm room and my classrooms
- If I choose off-campus housing, parking accommodations or reliable transportation is available to easily access my classroom locations

### Recreational Facilities

- Gymnasiums, sports fields, auditoriums and other recreational areas I plan to use are accessible. (Tour these facilities so that you know you can navigate them and enjoy all of the areas you will have interest in.)
- The college/university offers adaptive sports programs, exercise options, and facilities for that accommodate my disabilities and needs

### **Disability Services Office**

- The college/university has a dedicated office for disability services
- Staff members are knowledgeable about disabilities and empowered to set up necessary accommodations
- I have designated adults who I can contact if I have a medical need, either urgent or non-urgent

### **Academic Accommodations**

- The accommodations I need are offered for exams, assignments, and classroom activities
- The process for requesting and implementing accommodations when I register for classes is clear to me

### **Accessible Materials**

- Textbooks and course materials available in the alternative formats I need (audio, digital, etc.)
- There is a system for providing materials I need to me in a timely manner

### **Healthcare Facilities**

- Healthcare facilities on campus are accessible and have the medical expertise I may need
- I have access to healthcare professionals familiar who can treat my medical needs

### **Counseling Services**

- My college/university offers counseling services that are inclusive and sensitive to my needs
- I have a point of contact for counseling and a course of action for seeking therapy or treatment should the need arise
- There is a process for requesting accommodations for mental health services should I need them

### **Social & Extracurricular Events & Activities**

- The campus events and activities I am most likely to participate in are in locations that are accessible to me
- There is an active system in place to ensure inclusivity in social events

### **Clubs and Organizations**

- Are student clubs and organizations inclusive and welcoming to students with disabilities?
- Are there any disability-specific support groups?

### **Local Community Accessibility**

- The local community around the college is accessible for individuals with disabilities
- There are accessible transportation options for getting around the local areas, including restaurants, coffee shops, movies and other activities I may want to enjoy

### **Employment Opportunities**

- The college/university has partnerships with employers who actively promote inclusivity and provide accommodations
- The college/university will offer me career placement support to seek a job that accommodates my specific needs