

Why MSUB and City College have DSS offices?

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It's the right thing to do. Each student with a disability has paid tuition and works toward the same degree expectations as any other student. Sometimes adjustments need to be made to ensure equal access. AND-- It's the legal thing to do. The law (Section 504 RI WKH 5HKDE \$FW RI DQG WKH \$PH \$FW RI VSHFroloqualified individual with a disability shall, by reason of such disability, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of the services, programs, or activities of a public entity, or be subjected to discrimination by DQ\ VXFK HQWLW\ μ > 6 (& 'LVFULPLQD\ also prohibit discrimination in public entities that receive federal funds against qualified people with disabilities in any program, service, or activity they offer.

What does DSS do?

The staff works with Facility Services for issues related to physical access and faculty for issues related to course content. Common adjustments are accessible technology, such as text-to-speech and speech-to-text programs, text books and

What doesn't DSS do?

DSS does not offer tutoring, mental health counseling, financial assistance, personal care attendants, or mobility equipment. All of those personal items are available through other resources. The staff works with Facility Services to make sure the routes to FODVVURRPV DUH DFFHVLEOH EXW '66 G around campus.

Who decides if a person has a disability?

The student, the DSS Director or Coordinator, and information from the diagnostician help to determine if the student has a disability that will result in difficulty accessing facilities and/or academic programs. Disabilities include Traumatic Brain Injuries, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Blind and Low Vision, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, Attention Deficit Disorder, learning disabilities, PHQWDO LOOQHVV PRELOLW\ DQG RWKHU