

Differences Between High School & College for Disabled Students

High School	Worcester State University
<p>Education is a right and must be provided in appropriate environments to all individuals</p>	<p>Education is not a right. Students must meet admissions criteria.</p>
<p>You may have an Individualized Educational Plan (IEP) or a 504 Plan. Most or all of your general education teachers will be aware of the specific nature of your disability.</p>	<p>You will have a one page memo to your professors listing accommodations. SAS does not inform professors about the nature of your disability.</p>
<p>Your IEP or Section 504 Plan is acceptable documentation of your disability.</p>	<p>IEPs and 504s cannot be used as the only form of documentation of your disability.</p>
<p>A special education contact person advocates on your behalf.</p>	<p>You are responsible for advocating on your own behalf with your professors and SAS.</p>
<p>Your teacher can modify curriculum for you to decrease your workload, and hold you accountable for less work and less rigorous assignments than your classmates.</p>	<p>There are no modifications to the curriculum to decrease workload. You will be responsible for the exact same amount of work as all of your other classmates.</p>
<p>Public schools usually pay for psycho-educational diagnostic testing.</p>	<p>Colleges do not provide testing nor do they pay for students to receive testing.</p>

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There are often professional staff in general education classrooms to assist students with learning differences.	There are no additional personnel in classrooms.
Special education contacts are always directing you and making sure you are completing assignments and managing your time properly.	You are responsible for your own time management, course selection, and ensuring that you are getting your work done.
You are expected to read short assignments that are then discussed and often re-taught in class.	You are assigned substantial amounts of reading and writing which may not be directly addressed in class.
You have the same teacher for the entire school year.	You change professors each semester when you register for classes.
You have the same classes for 40 weeks during the school year typically 5 days a week.	Each semester is 15 weeks long and each class meets 1-3 days a week. You also have professor's office hours as a resource to meet with them one-on-one. As a result the course load is more compact and you have less time to complete assignments.

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