

Office of Academic & Student Affairs

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Subject: DRC & Accommodations Online

Dear Colleagues,

Please see the message below from Gerry Altamirano, Director of the Disability Resource Center (DRC). As Gerry has indicated, please don't hesitate to refer students to the DRC for questions.

Thank you,

Chris

From: A-Team <ASSOCDEANS-L@LISTS.UFL.EDU> **On Behalf Of** Altamirano,Gerry
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2020 11:32 AM
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Greetings ACUA group,

Please share this email with your faculty. This message has already been sent to instructors with DRC students in their courses, however, it would be great to send to instructors more broadly as more students are registering due to the transition online. Thank you.

Greetings UF Instructors,

As we move classes online, the Disability Resource Center is available to support you on how to facilitate accommodations in an online setting. Our expertise is within the scope of creating accessible and inclusive learning experiences for our students. As such, you can count on our support as some of you navigate this new terrain.

We have a strong partnership with the Center for Teaching Excellence who will also be a resource for you. We have already sent them a list of instructors who have students with nuanced testing accommodations enrolled in their course. They will prioritize your inquiries and be able to assist with specific questions.

It is important that students with disabilities are able to access their accommodations online so they do not have to remain on campus. Instructors are responsible for ensuring accommodations are met in classes, assignments and exams. Fortunately, the majority of accommodations can be facilitated in Canvas or through other technologies. For example, if a student has an accommodation of additional time for exams, instructors will be able to add extra time in Canvas for those students. Please visit <https://elearning.ufl.edu/keep-teaching/> or contact our office at DRCaccessUF@ufsa.ufl.edu for more information. Attached and in this link <https://disability.ufl.edu/online/> you will find general information that may be helpful during this transition.

The DRC will remain operational, and holding Zoom and phone appointments with students. Our accommodated testing services will resume when UF returns to in-person classes. In extenuating circumstances, for students who have a disability that directly impacts their ability to navigate their exams/courses online, we will work with that faculty and student to best meet their needs.

We thank you for your flexibility and cooperation during this time. We are available for support, please feel free to refer your students to our office if they have questions.

Yours in community,

Best regards,

Gerry

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