

Recommended Syllabus Statement

The University of Wisconsin Milwaukee supports the right of all enrolled students to a full and equal educational opportunity. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Wisconsin State Statute (36.12) require that students with disabilities be reasonably accommodated in instruction and campus life. Reasonable accommodations for students with disabilities is a shared faculty and student responsibility. Students are expected to inform faculty [me] of their need for instructional accommodations by the end of the third week of the semester, or as soon as possible after a disability has been incurred or recognized. Faculty [I], will work either directly with the student [you] or in coordination with the Accessibility Resource Center to identify and provide reasonable instructional accommodations. Disability information, including instructional accommodations as part of a student's educational record, is confidential and protected under FERPA.

Faculty are strongly encouraged to include this written statement in their syllabus and verbally reference it when presenting the course standards to their classes. In addition, faculty should customize the statement with directions regarding how they prefer students to contact them regarding accommodation requests (e.g., email, office appointment, etc.). Please note that some students whose disability impacts communication abilities (e.g., autism, anxiety) may be more able to initiate communication via email.

Questions regarding classroom accommodations or working with individual students can be directed to the student's Accessibility Resource Center counselor listed on the student VISA (accommodation plan) or to the Accessibility Resource Center (archelp@uwm.edu), 414-229-6287.